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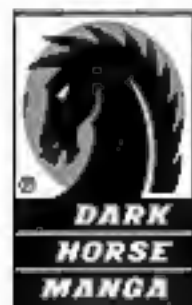
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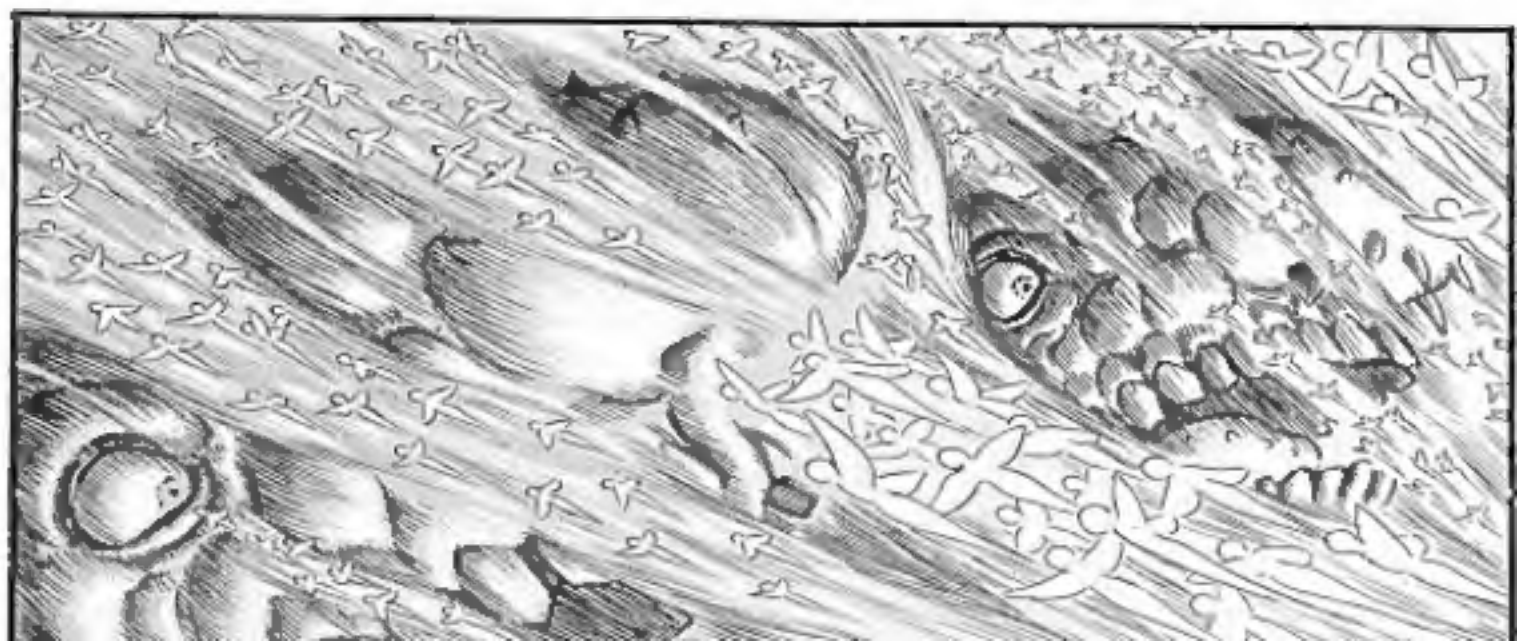
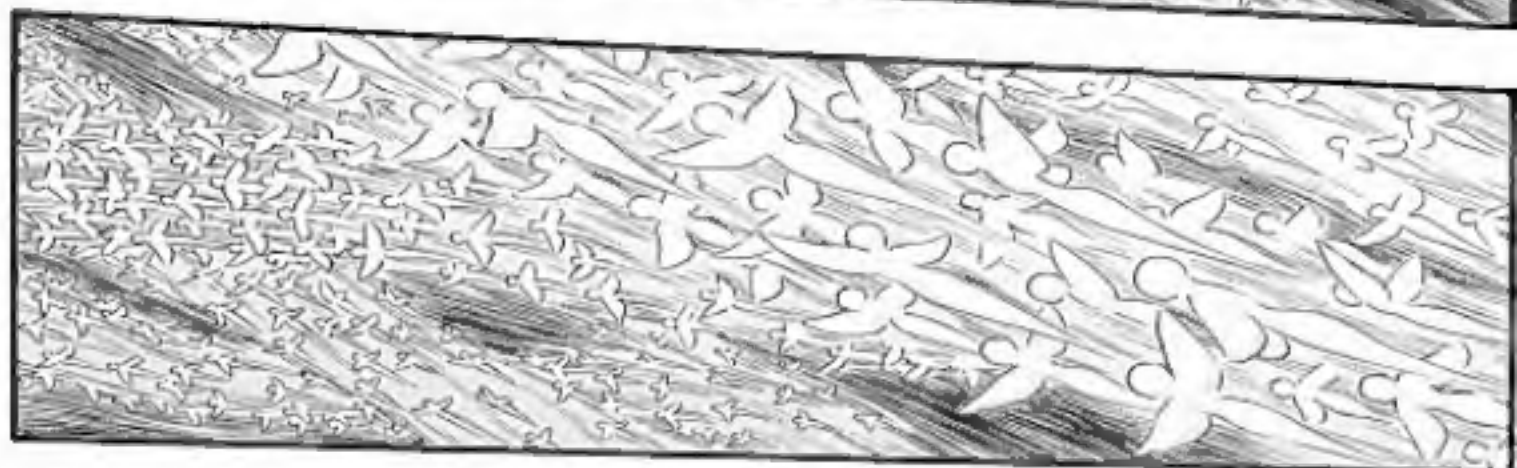


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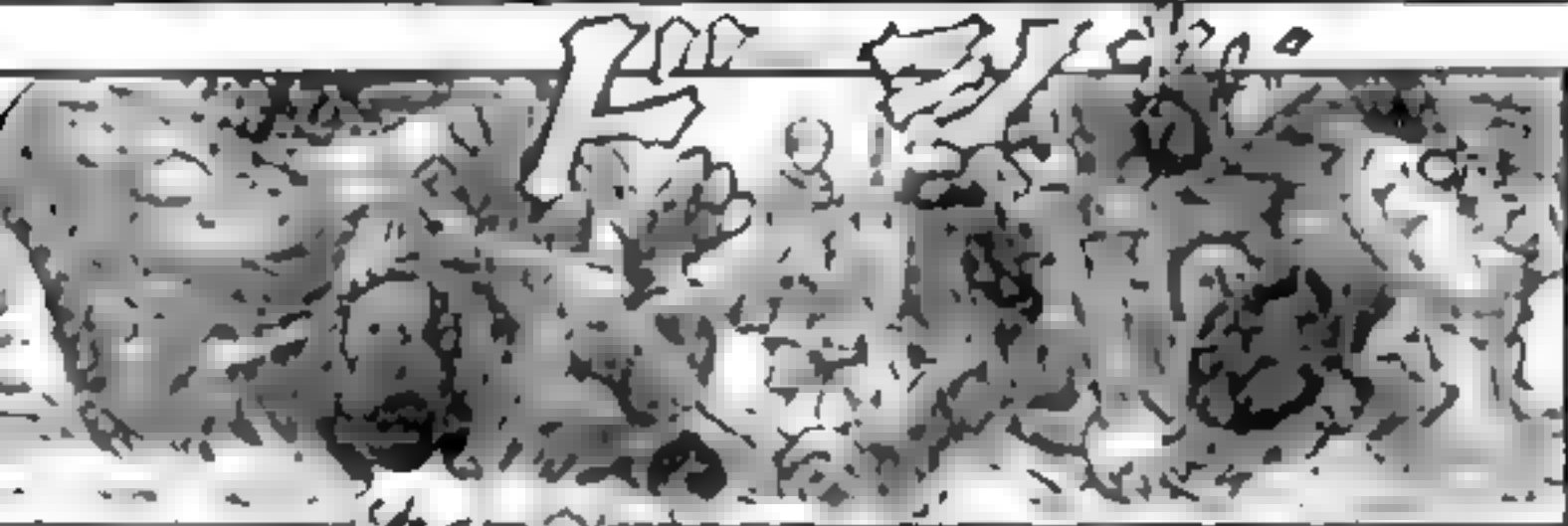
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魔法の剣
MAGIC SWORD

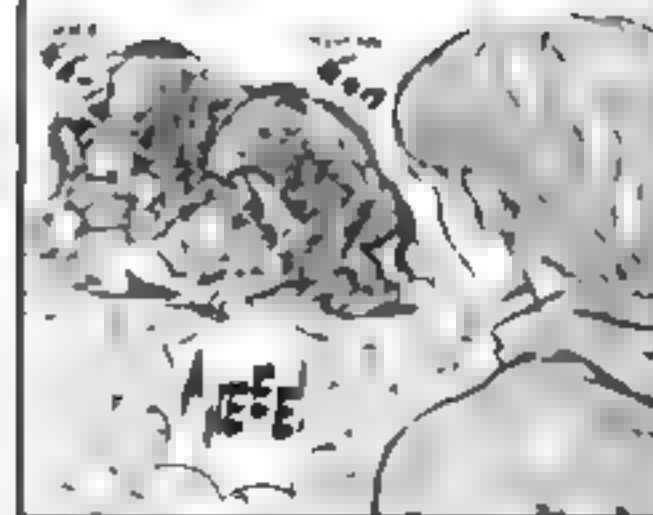




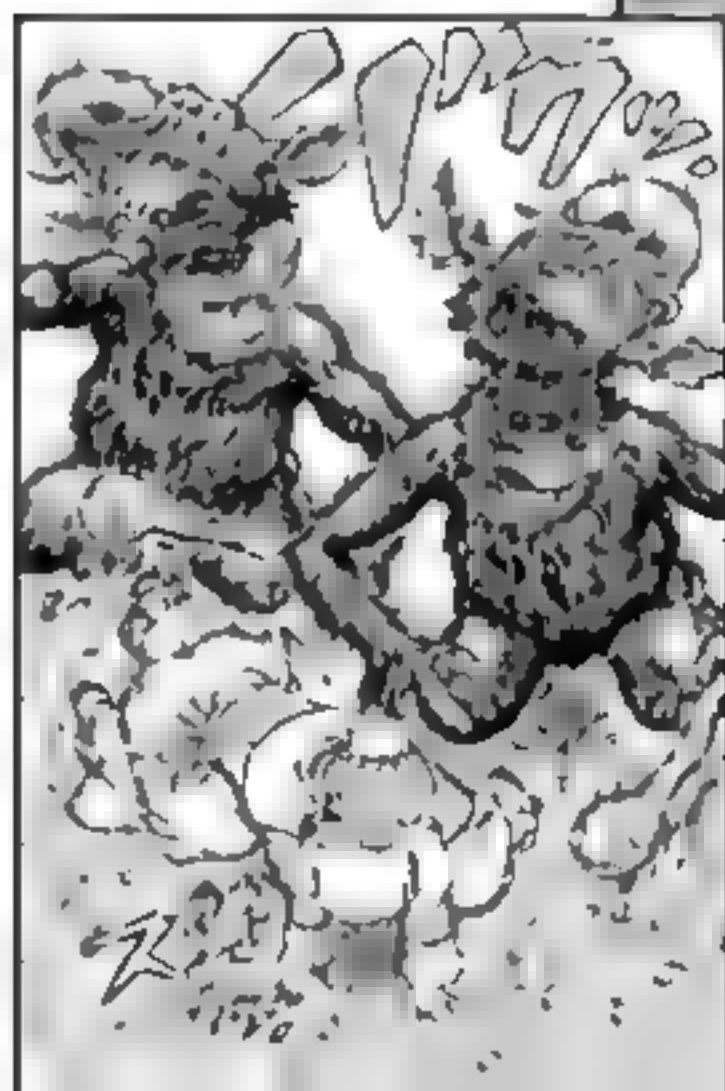
HE BLAMED
THE TO LUG
TO BE AS
WITH UP
TOLYING
THAT IT

WAS
HAPPY AND
TO

WAS
HAPPY
THAT IT



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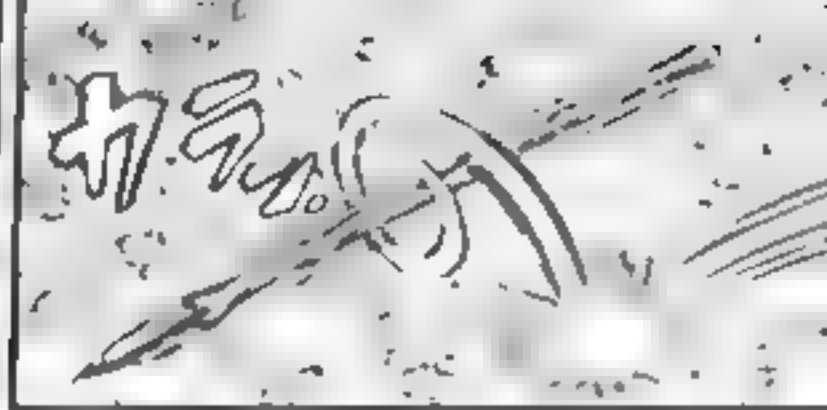
SPIRITS

YOU ARE
MORE
PEACE

THAN
I HAD
EXPECTED









QUITE
HEARTENING
IN A FIGHT
AGAINST
MONSTERS.

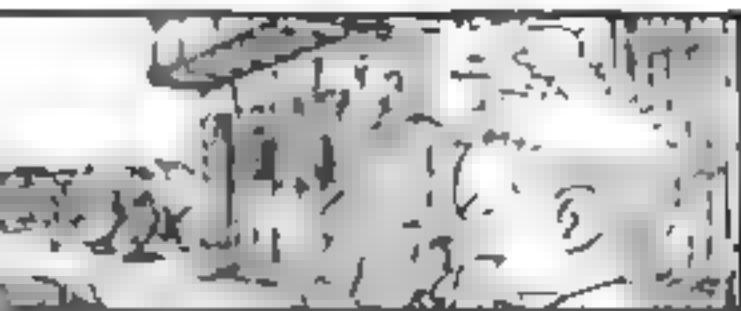
SO
AMAZING
IS REAL
MAGIC.



REAL
MAGIC

IT'S
MAGIC

MAGIC

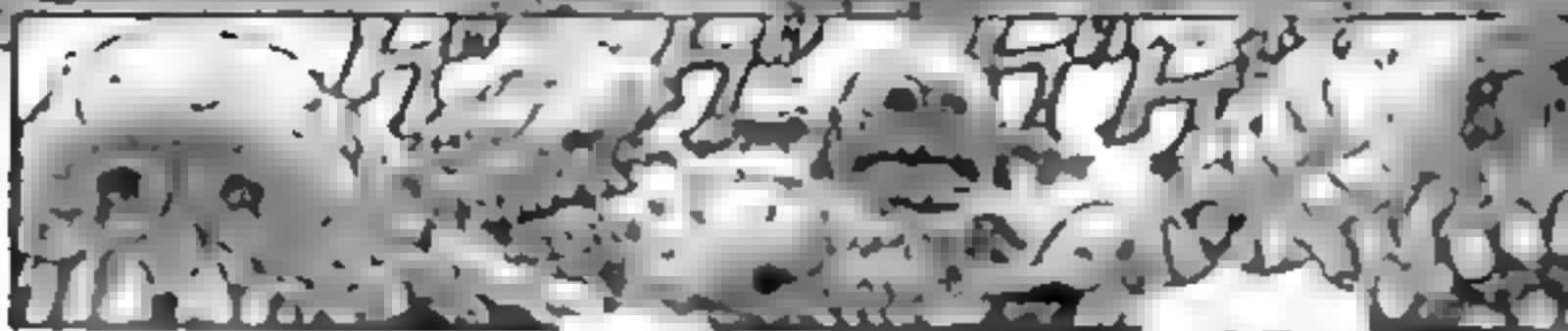


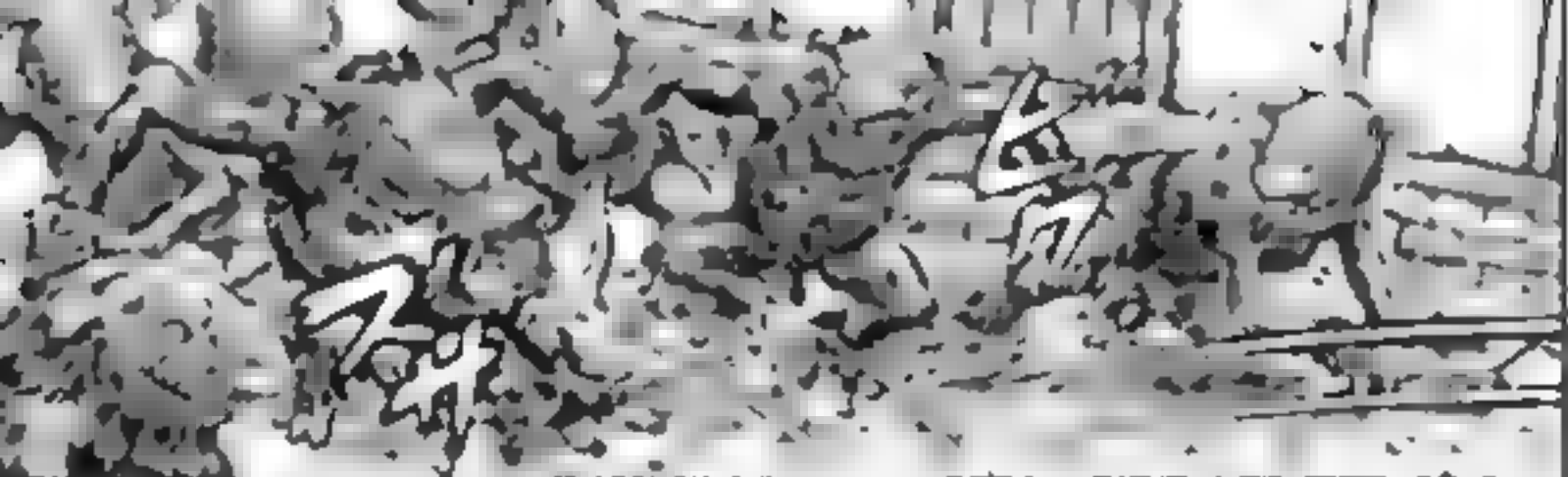
HE'S
MAGIC!
DON'T
JUMP
AT
HIM!



I'LL BE
DAMNED IF
YOU'RE
GONNA
HAVE ALL
THE FUN!

SLEEPY



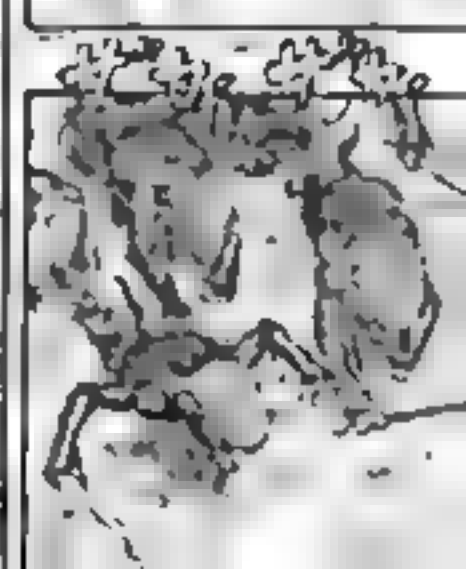
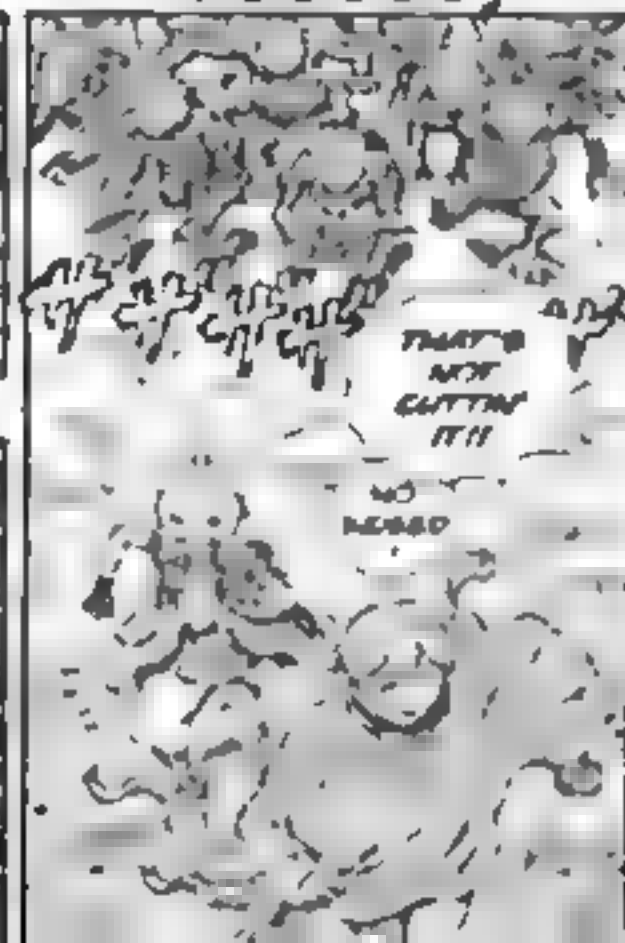
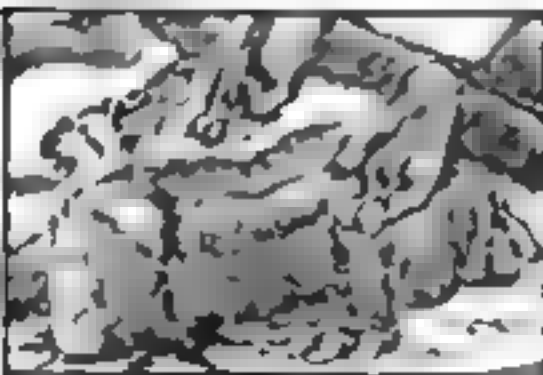


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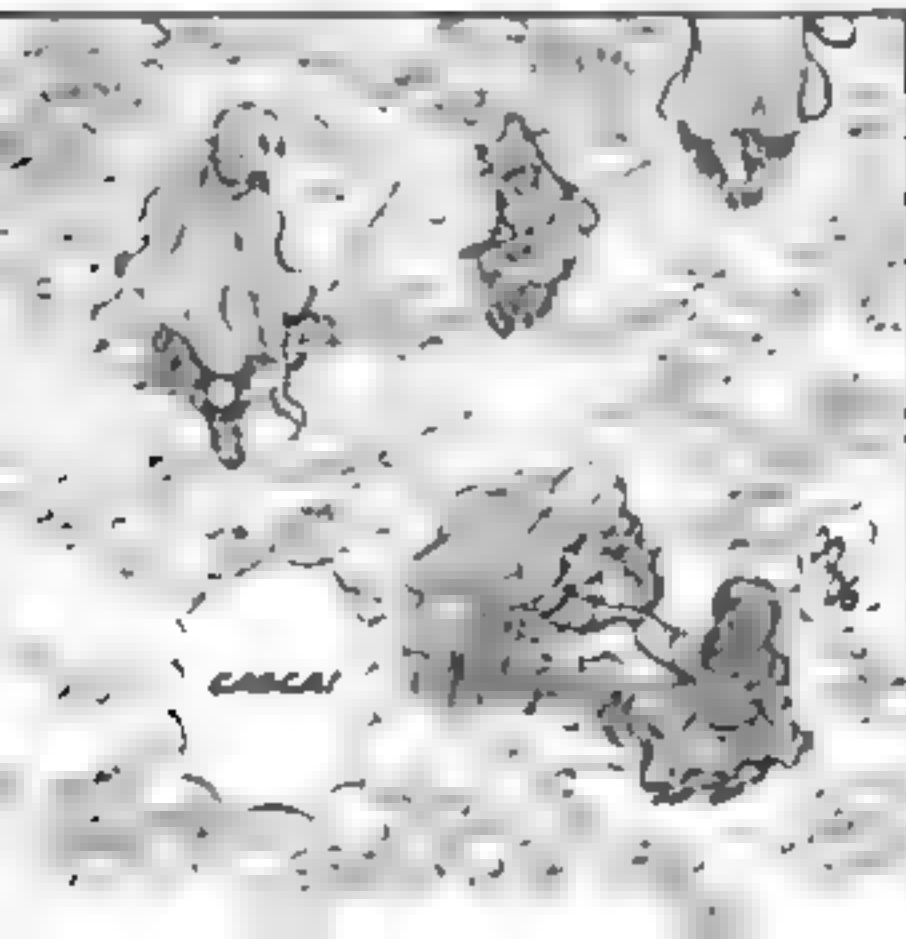


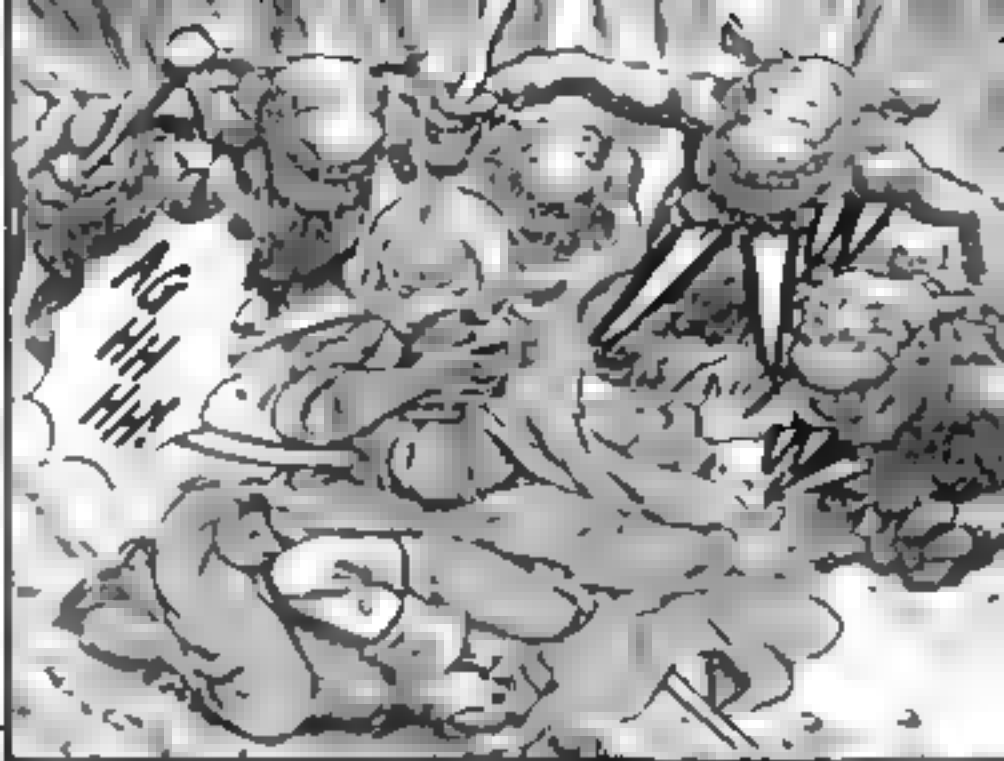


UGH!!

THEY'RE
EATING
THEIR OWN
WOUNDS!!

WELL
IF YOU DON'T
WANT TO END
UP LIKE THAT
WANT





LAD
DOWN HER
LIFE FOR
SOMEONE
ELSE.

LADY
STARNESSE

COME
ON,
STAND
UP!

(GOD
GOD)

ARE
YOU ALL
RIGHT ?!

YES.



.....




TV GENGE GEN GEN

I WILL OPEN A
PATH FOR ESCAPE.
PLEASE WAKE FOR
THE CHURCH.

GONNA
HOG ALL
THE FUN
AGAIN,
HEAVY

IT WOULD
SEEM THE
TALSMANIC
POWER OF
THE SILVER IS
WORKING.




EVERYONE,
HURRY
INSIDE !!




LOOK !!

SOMEONE'S
SURROUNDED !!



I DID
WARN
THEM.

FOOL.



A PITY
THEY'RE
DONE FOR
NOW.

THEY'RE
THAT WITCH'S
COMPANIONS!
THEY STAYED
BACK SO
WE COULD
ESCAPE!



!

!!

THE HAND
OF MAN IS
NO MATCH
FOR THOSE
THINGS!!

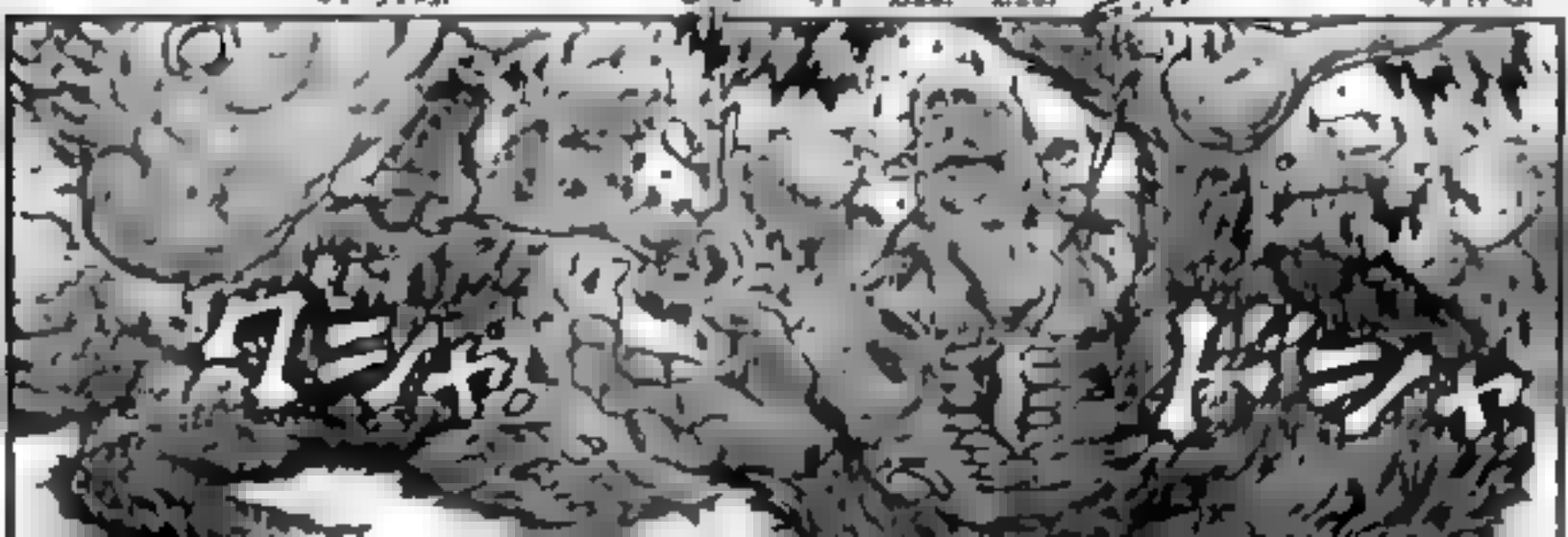
IMBECILE
!!

BE NOT
EAGER!!

OH D 2







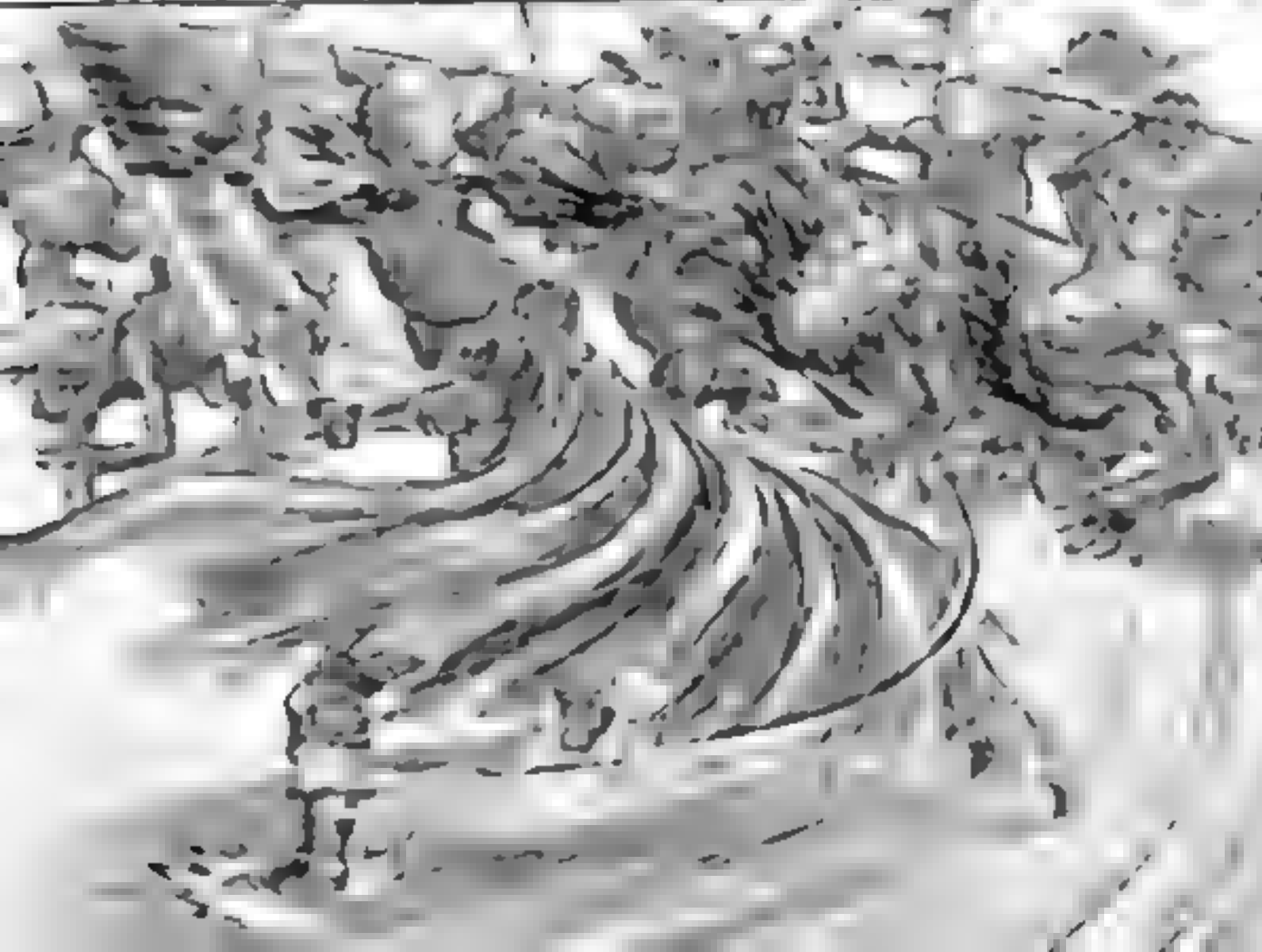




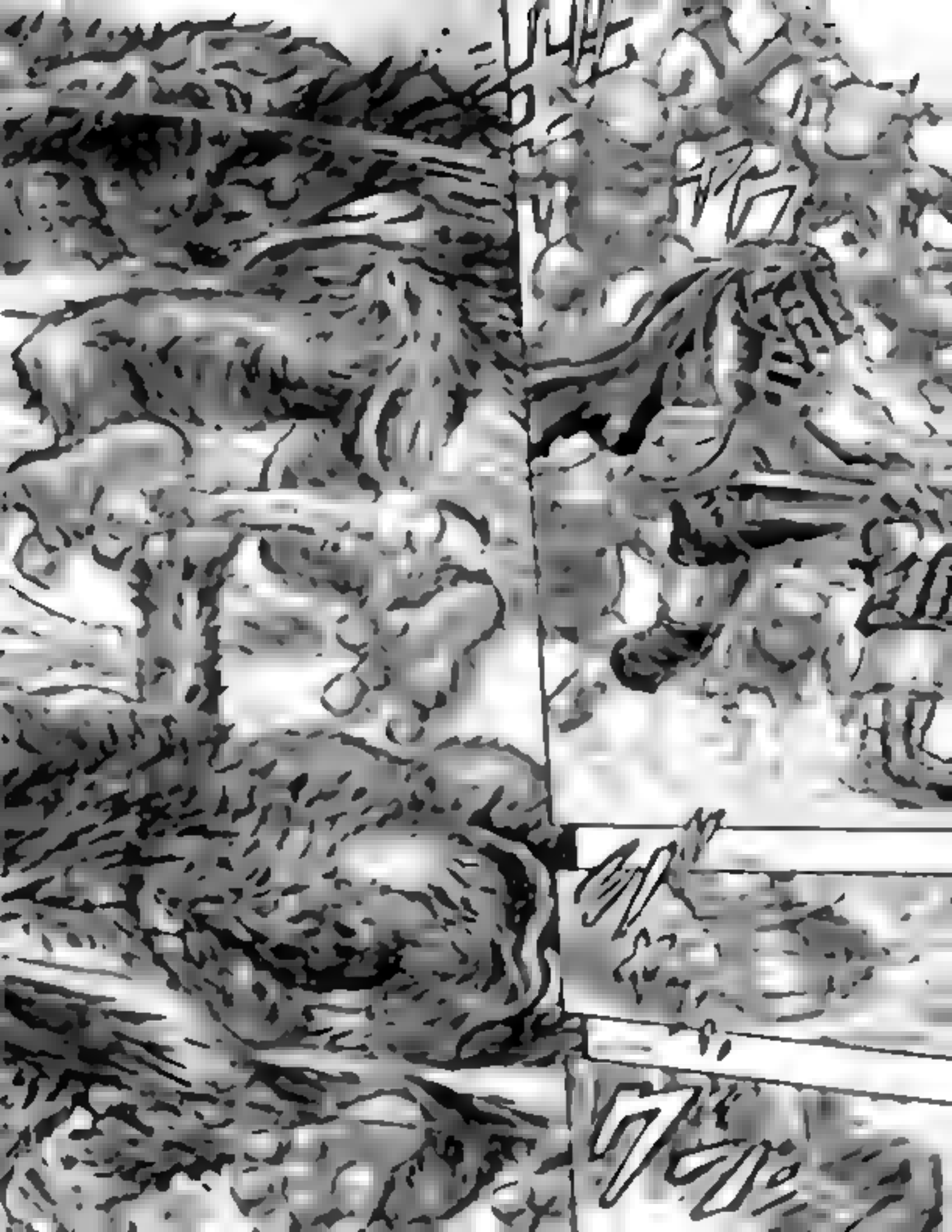


MIRROR OF SIN
罪の鏡

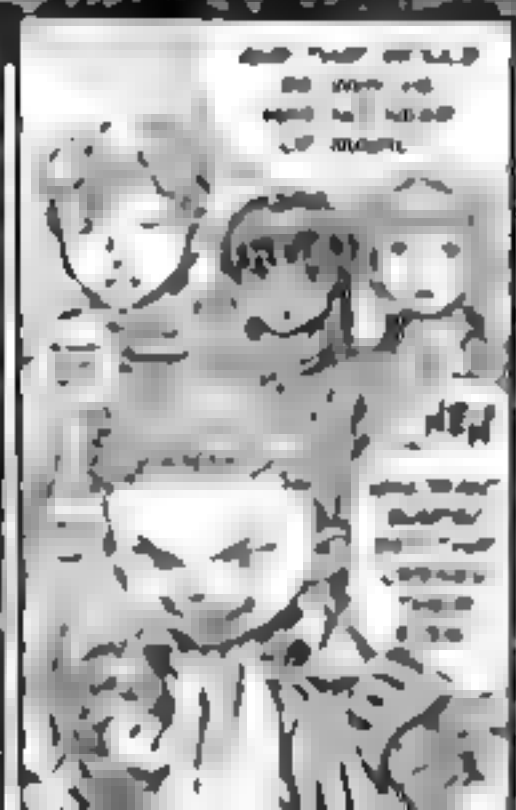
BERSERK











THAT MANY
TROLLS
AND WITHOUT
MAGIC!

I CAN'T
TELL WHICH
SIDE IS MORE
MONSTROUS

WHOA, WHOA!
THAT GUY'S
AMAZING!

.....

HE IS
SUPER-
HUMAN.

TRUE...

IS THIS ANOTHER
RESULT OF HIM
REMAINING IN
THE INTERSTICE,
WHERE IT'S EASY
FOR THE MIND TO
AFFECT MATTER?
OR

THAT
SHADOW

THAT
SHADOW
THAT COX
JUST

EVERY-
ONE!

I STUCK
THE CHAIR
JUST LIKE
YOU SAID

YOU
KNOW
IT?

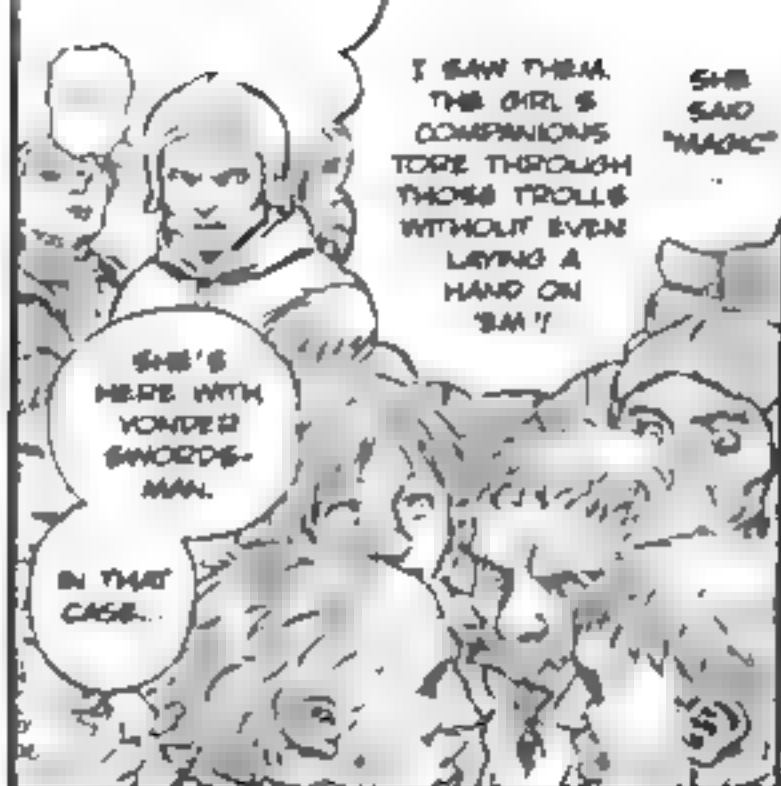
ARE WE
PREPARED
FOR THAT?

ON
THE WALL
IN THE
DIRECTION
YOU TOLD
ME

ALL
RIGHT

I WILL NOW
USE MAGIC
TO EXTEND
A BULWARK
AROUND THE
CHURCH

EVERYONE,
PLEASE
MAKE HASTE
INSIDE



I SAW THEM.
THE GIRL'S
COMPANIONS
TORE THROUGH
THOSE TROLLS
WITHOUT EVEN
LAYING A
HAND ON
'EM!!

SHE
SAID
'MAGIC'

SHE'S
HERE WITH
YONDER
SWORDSMAN.

IN THAT
CASE...



OF
ALL THE
CURSED
...!!

WHAT
ARE YOU
DOING UP
THERE??



PLEASE
GO AND DRAG
THAT GIRL
DOWN IMMEDI-
ATELY!!

CAREP
!!

UM,
WELL...



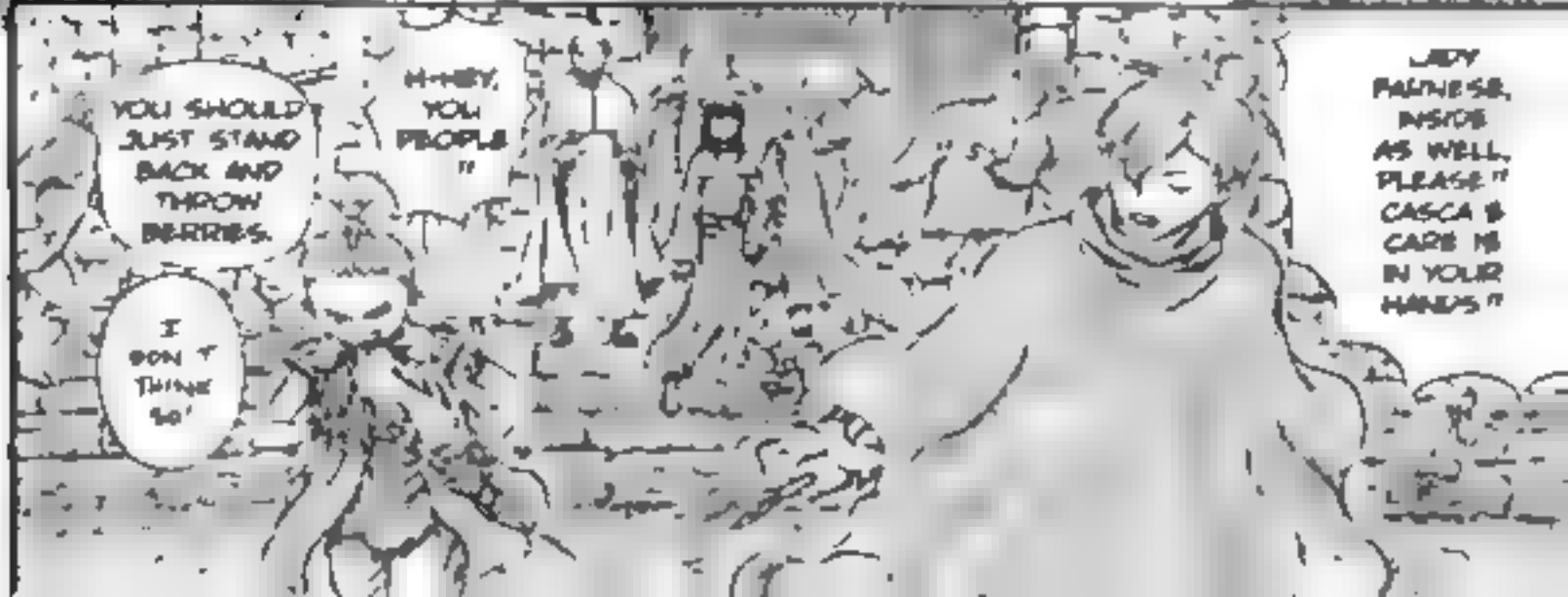
THE FACT
REMAINS
THAT IT'S
DANGEROUS
HERE!
EVERYONE
INSIDE,
HURRY!!

ARGHH!!
ENOUGH
!!



BUY ME
SOME
TIME

PLEASE

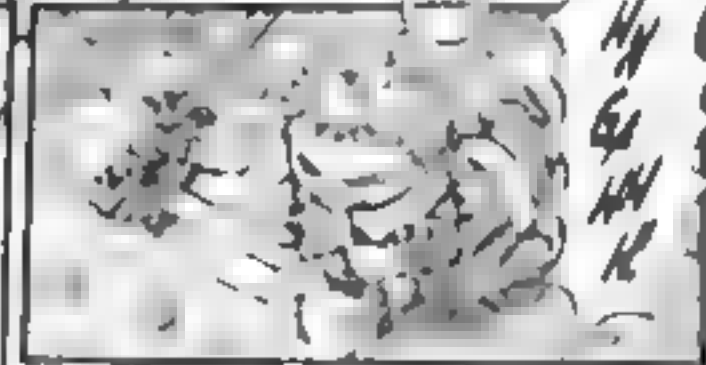


YOU SHOULD
JUST STAND
BACK AND
THROW
BERRIES.

HHEY,
YOU
PEOPLE
!!

I
DON'T
THINK
SO!

HEY
FALMISE,
INSIDE
AS WELL,
PLEASE!!
CASCA'S
CARE IS
IN YOUR
HANDS!!







YOU
DIE!!

YOU
DIE!!



THAT
DIE!!
NO!!

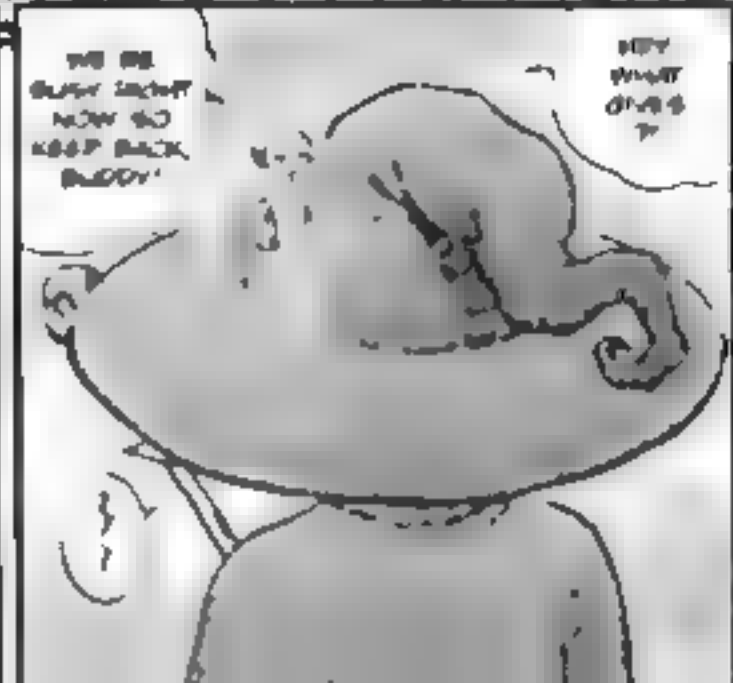


STOP
THAT!!



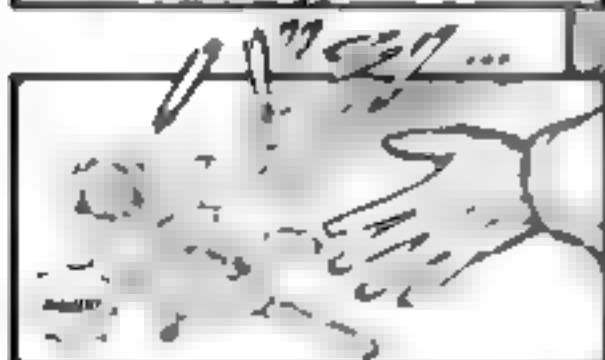
NO!
NEVER!!


SUCH A
WICKED DEED
AS THIS
BEFORE
GOD!!



HEY
WHAT
GIVES
U

WE'RE
GONE!
NOW GO
KEEP BACK
BRODY!






IF IT'S
BECAUSE
I RELIED
UPON SOME
WICKED
INTERVENTION,
WHAT
WOULD IT
MEAN?!

EVEN
SHOULD
I LIVE
UNTIL THE
FULLNESS
OF MY
DAYS.

WITH
HER
MAGIC
SHE
CAN DO
IT !!

WE
WERE
SAVED,
TOO !!

SILENCE
!!



THIS VILLAGE
SHOULD ENTRUST
ALL TO THE
FATE GOD HAS
ASSIGNED IT !!

THIS
IS THE
WILL OF
GOD !!

...THE
SAME.

THIS
MAN'S...



THE
SAME
AS
THE...

...OLD
ME.

SENDING
PEOPLE
TO THEIR
DEATHS..

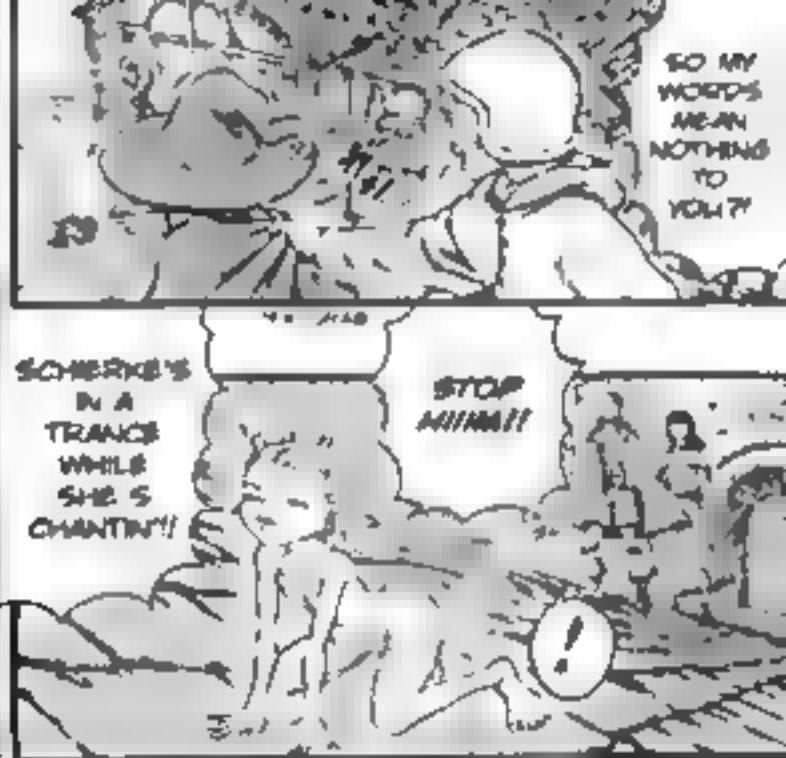
...IN THE
NAME
OF GOD.

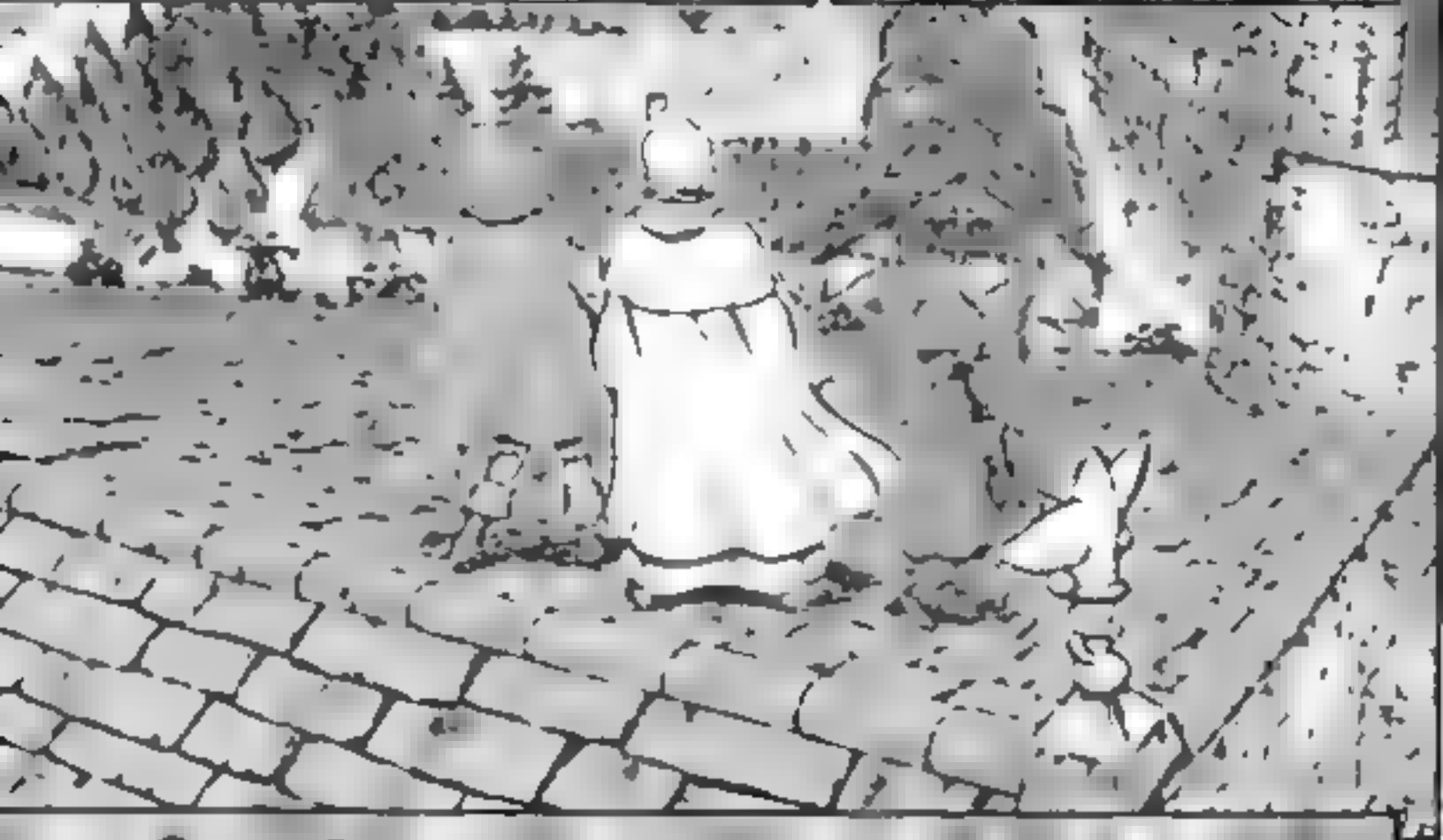
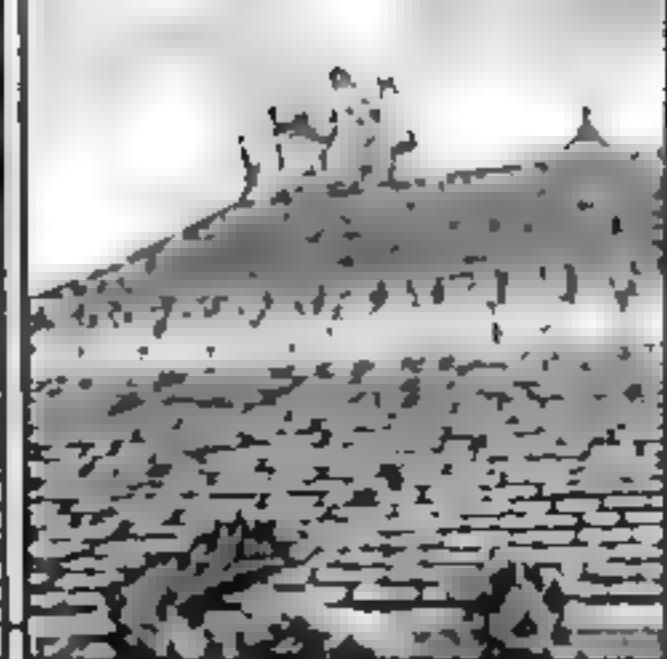


...NO
RIGHT TO
SPEAK...

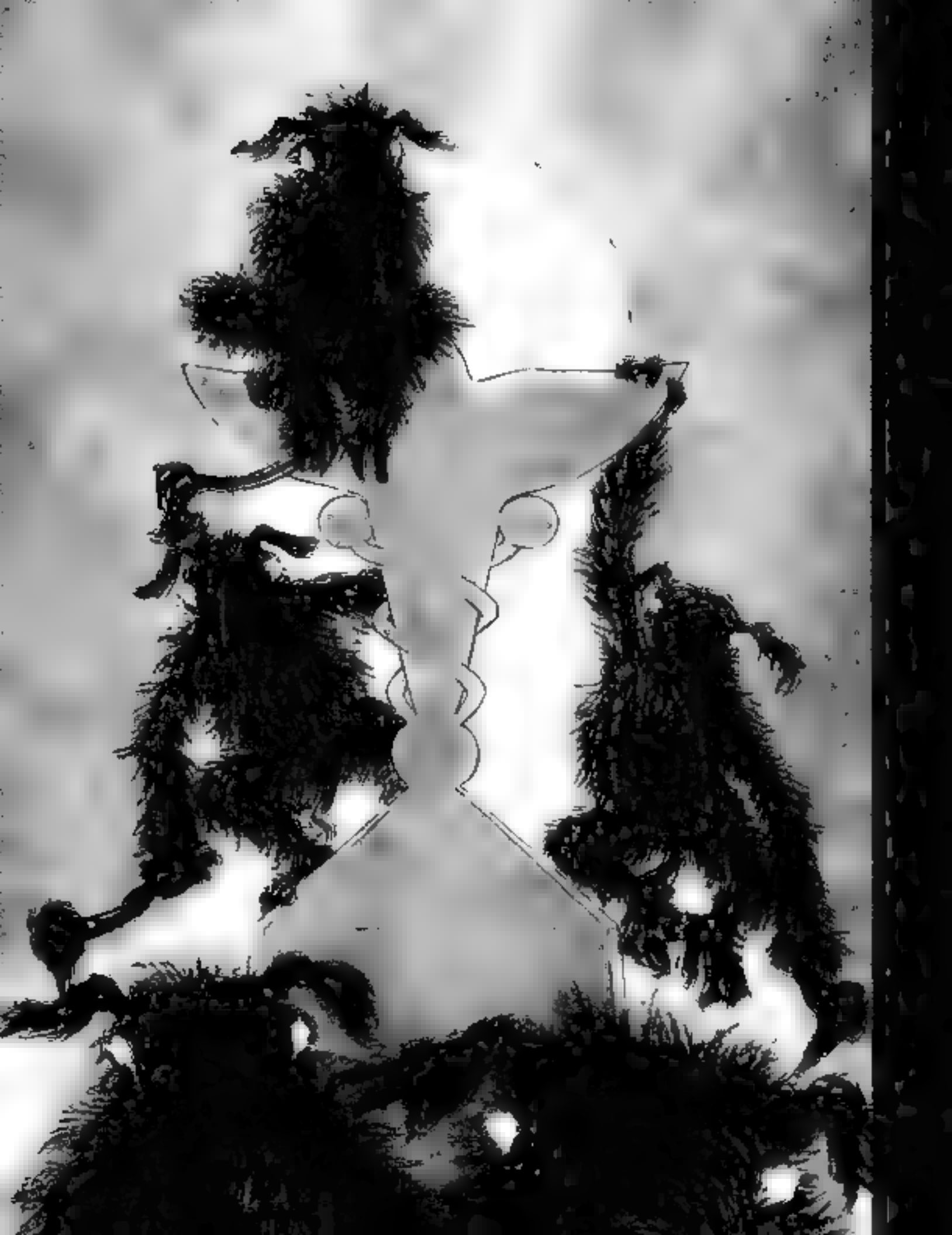
I
HAVE





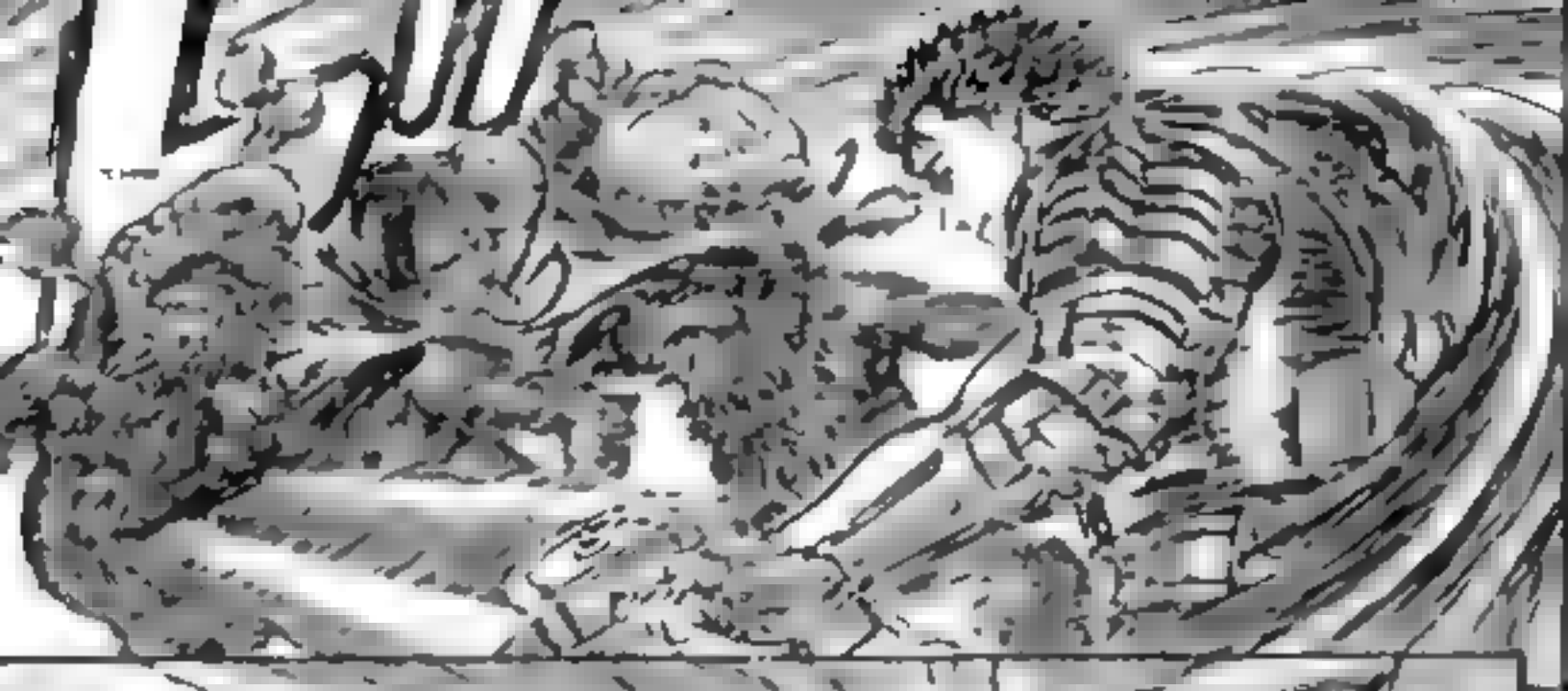






MAGIC
マジック
魔術

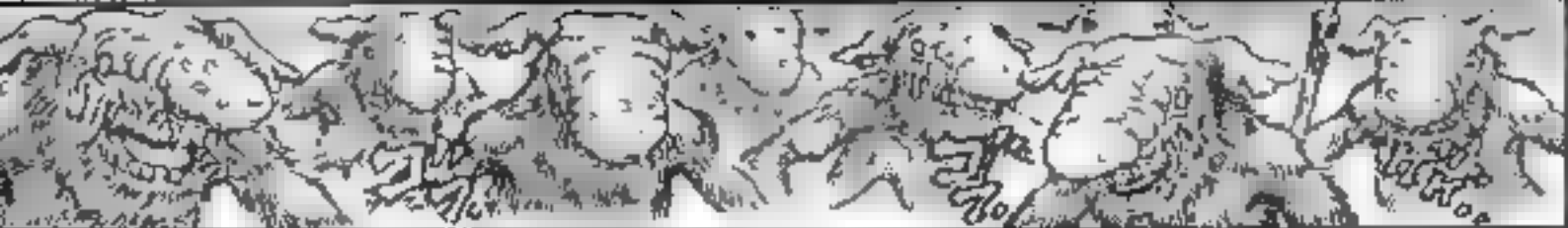
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...!!



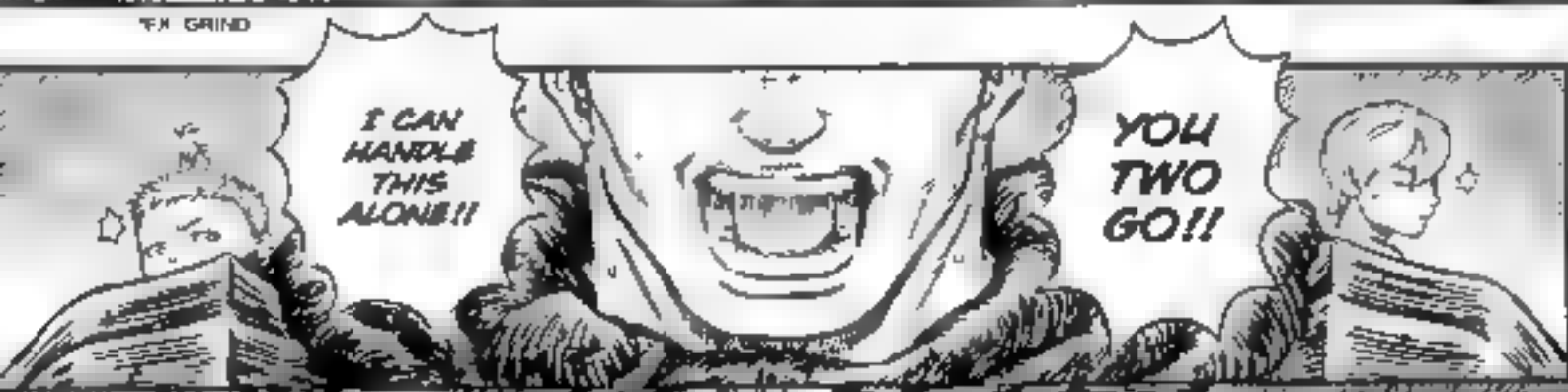
FR GOO

FR GOO

FR GEM



FR GRIND



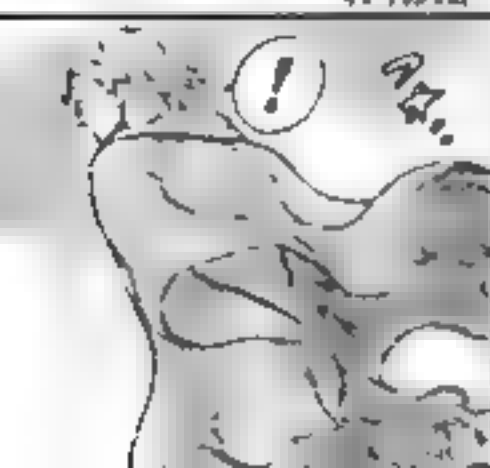
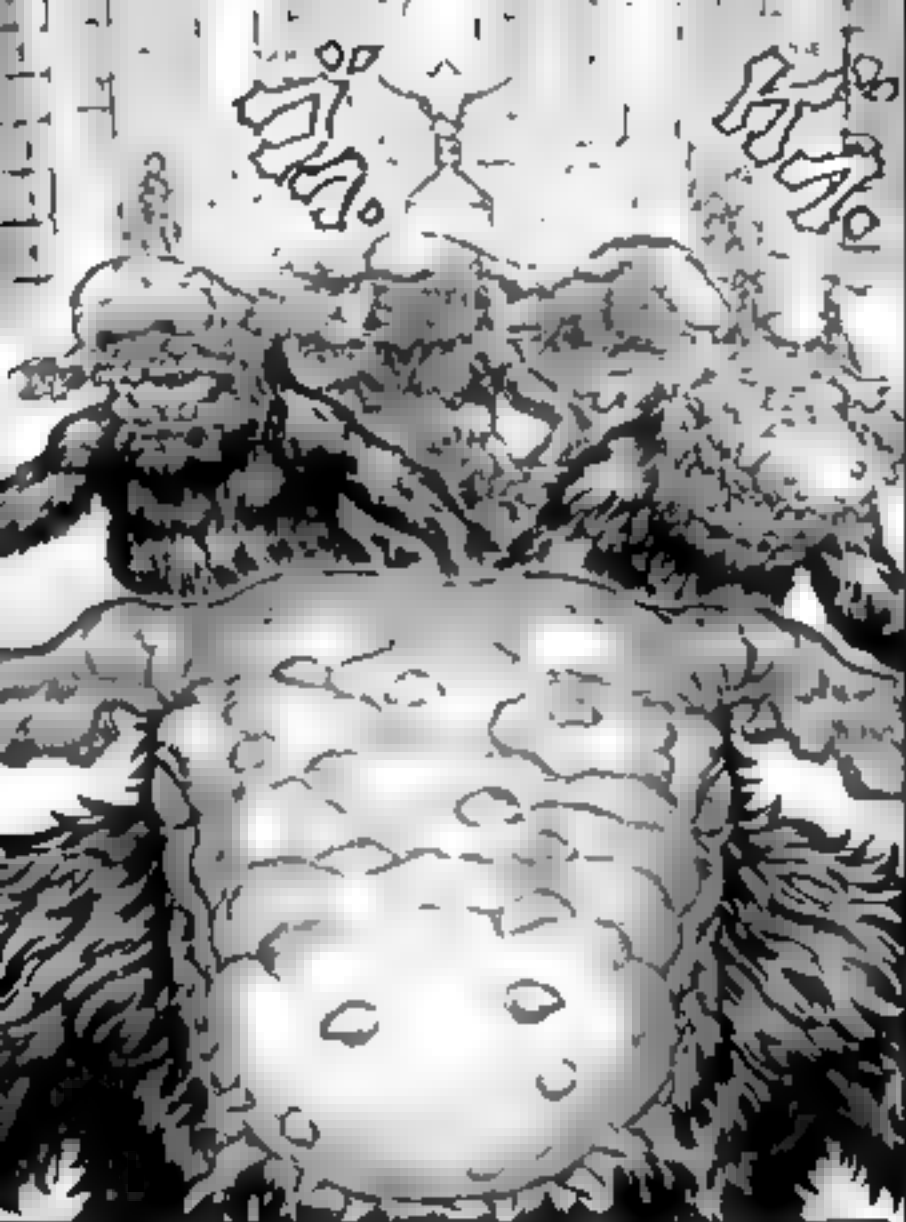
**I CAN
HANDLE
THIS
ALONE!!**

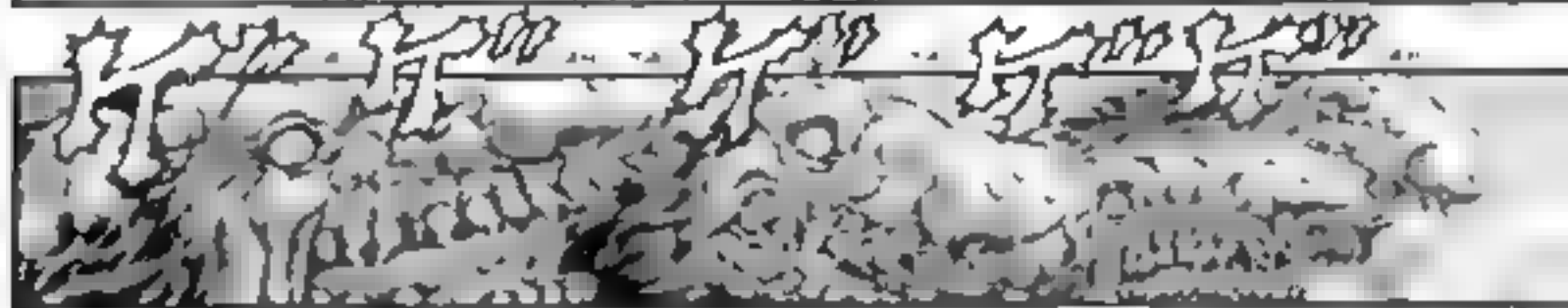
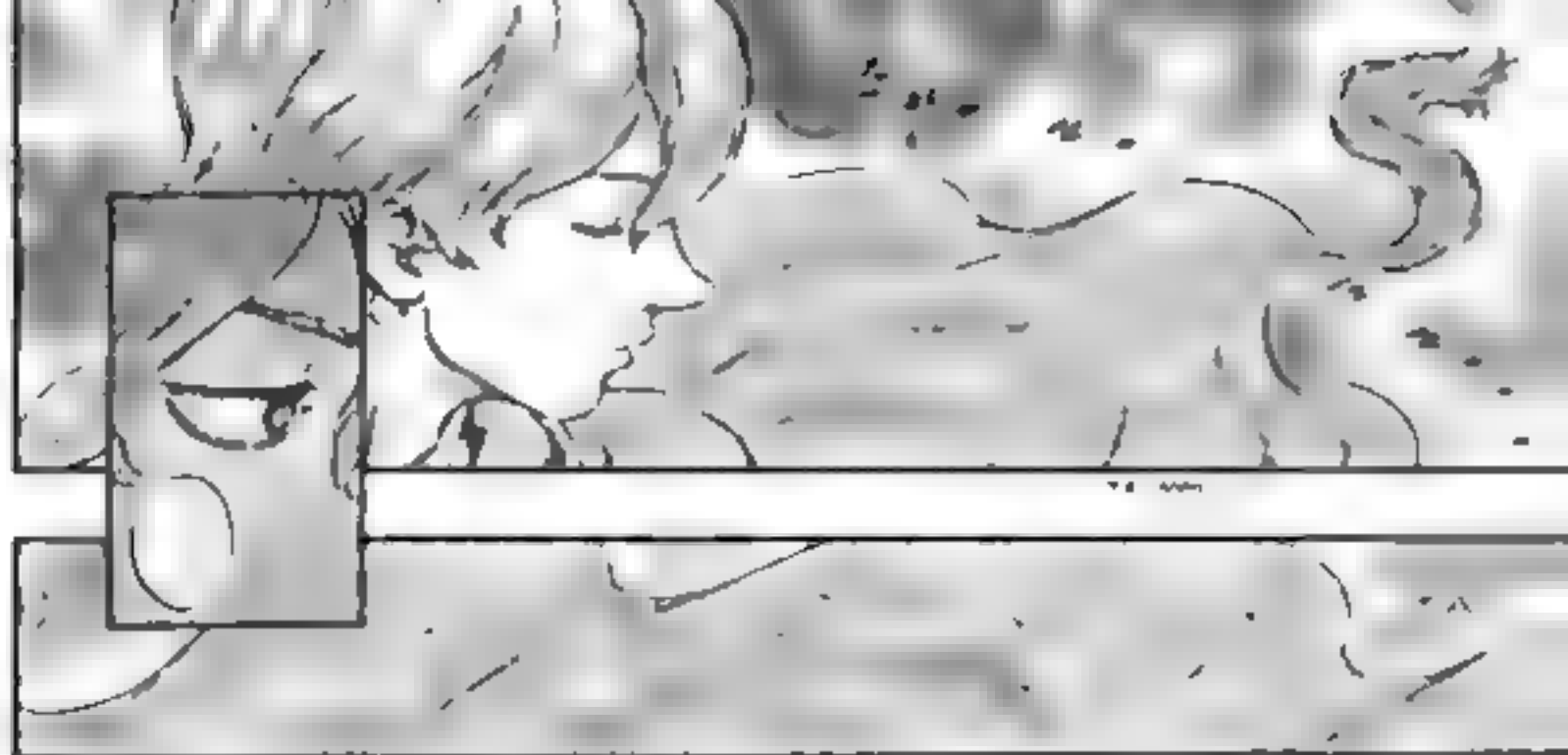
**YOU
TWO
GO!!**



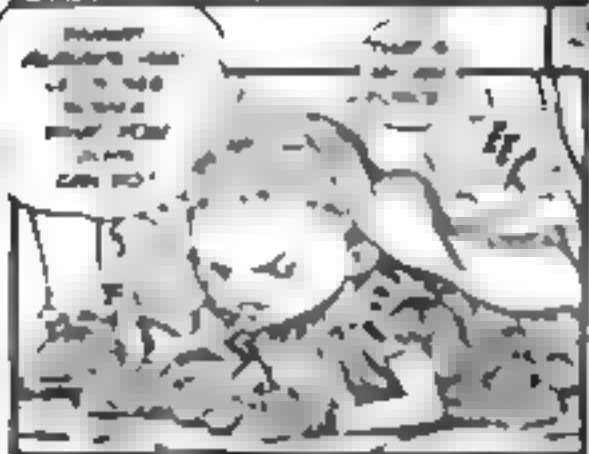
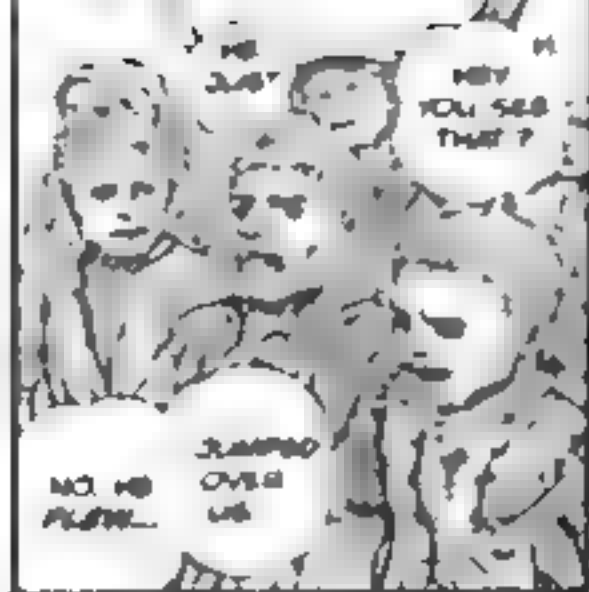
**TAKE CARE
OF THE
WOMEN AND
THOSE
INSIDE!!**















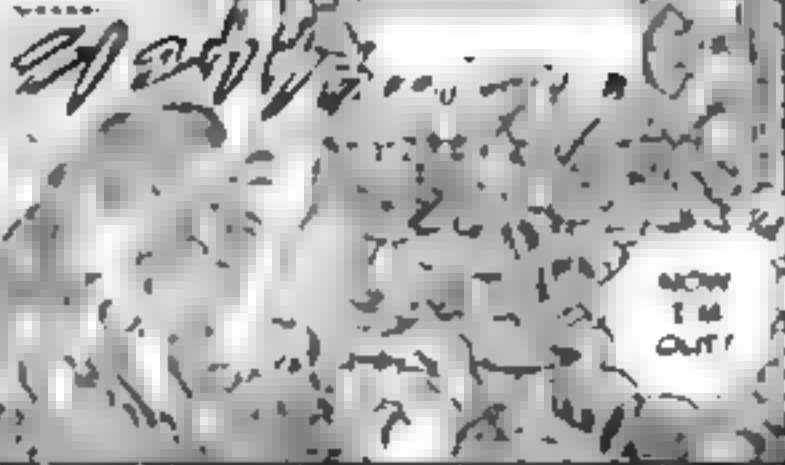
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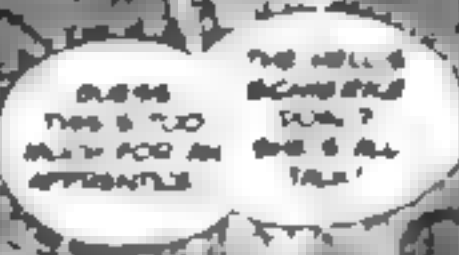
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NOW
I'M
OUT!



DUMBASS
THIS IS TOO
MUCH FOR AN
APPRENTICE

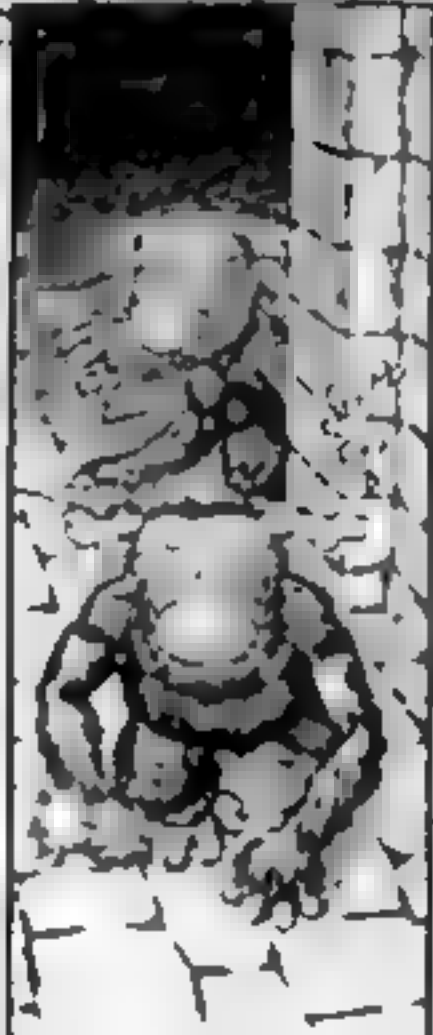
THE HELL'S
BECAUSE THIS
DUMB? SHE'S ALL
TALK!



MAN
THERE'S JUST
A FEW
MORE OF 'EM!



IT'S
PRIVACY
TIME
BEHOLD
MY NEW
REAR



NOW
THERE'S
JUST ONE
THING TO
DO

ABOUT THE
STILL TOO
HEAVY
BAGGAGE?



THIS'S
DO OR
DIE!!

DUMBASS!!



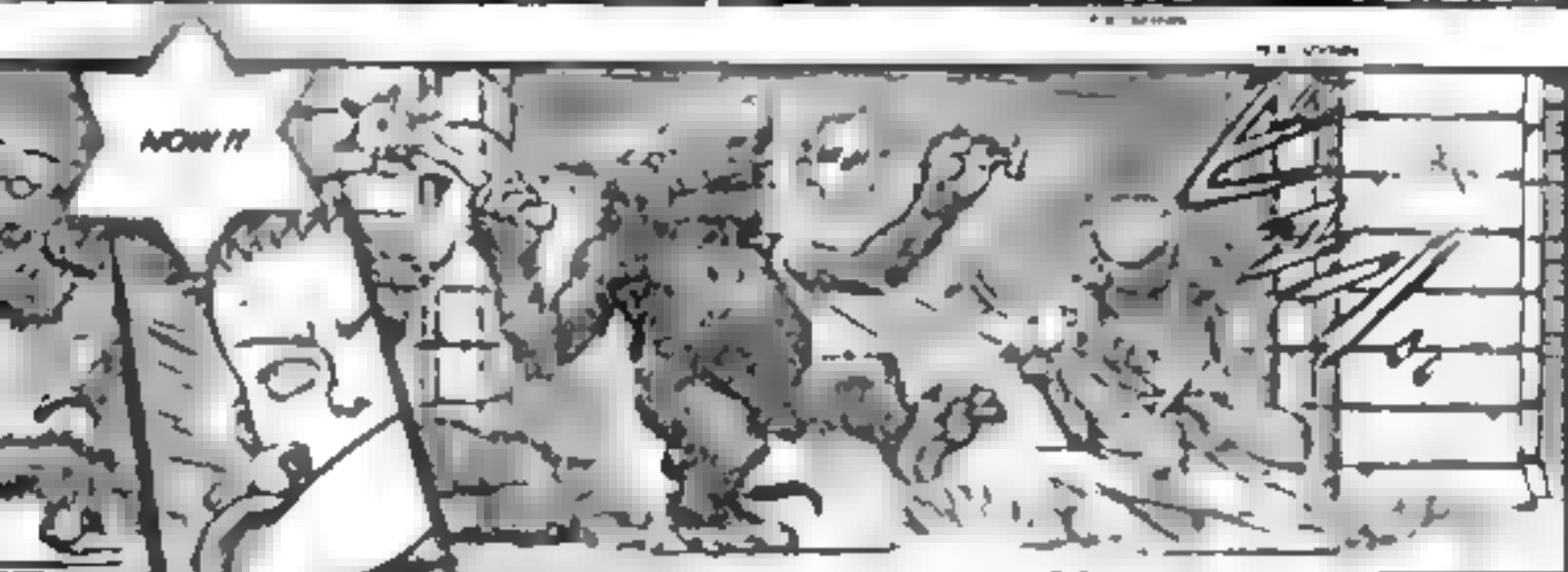
SHARP !!

LOW !!



P. 10. 10/10/00

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NOW !!



OH,
CRAP...

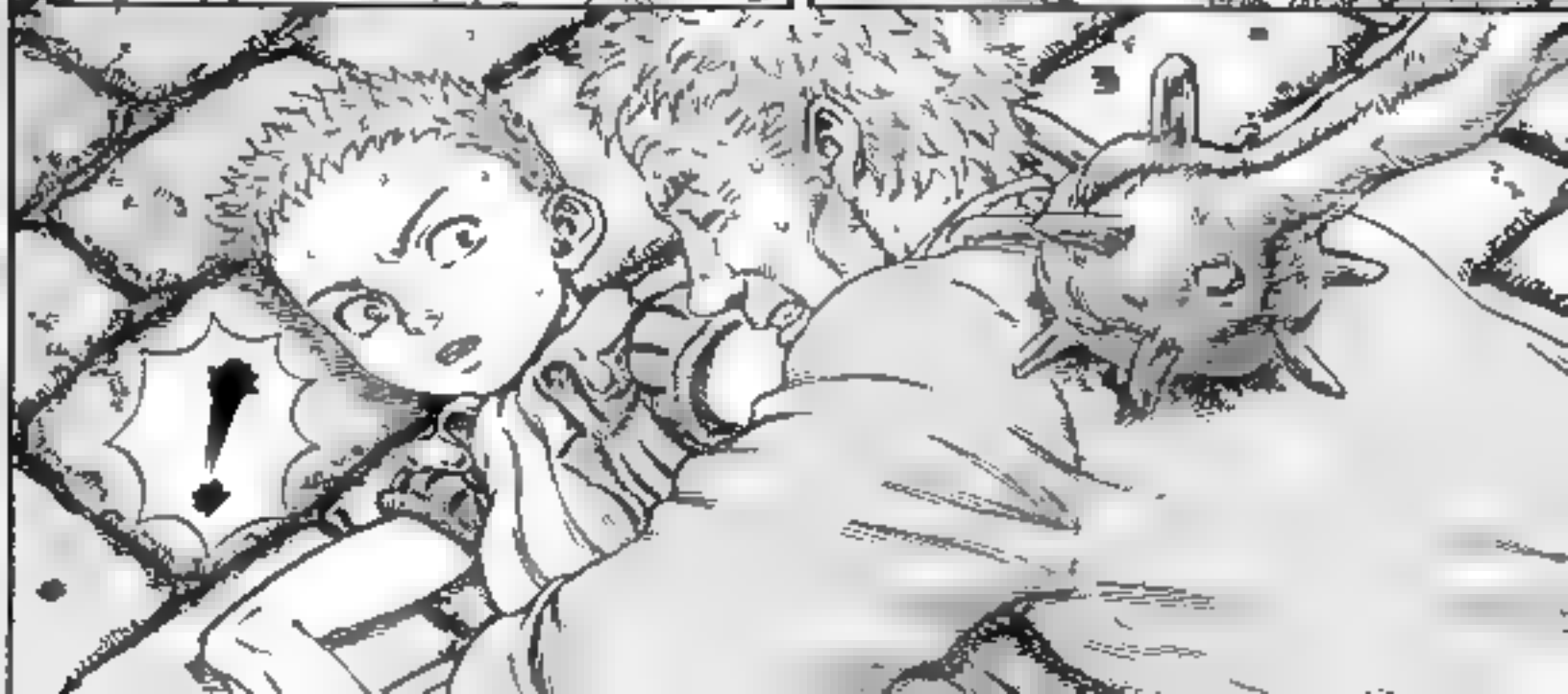
I'M BEIN'
SWUNG
BY THE
SWORD...!!



MR. GUNDO

NOT IN
A PLACE
LIKE
THIS...!!

YOU'RE
KIDDING
...!!





OLD MAN!



DAMN
THINGS

HE'S
GROWING

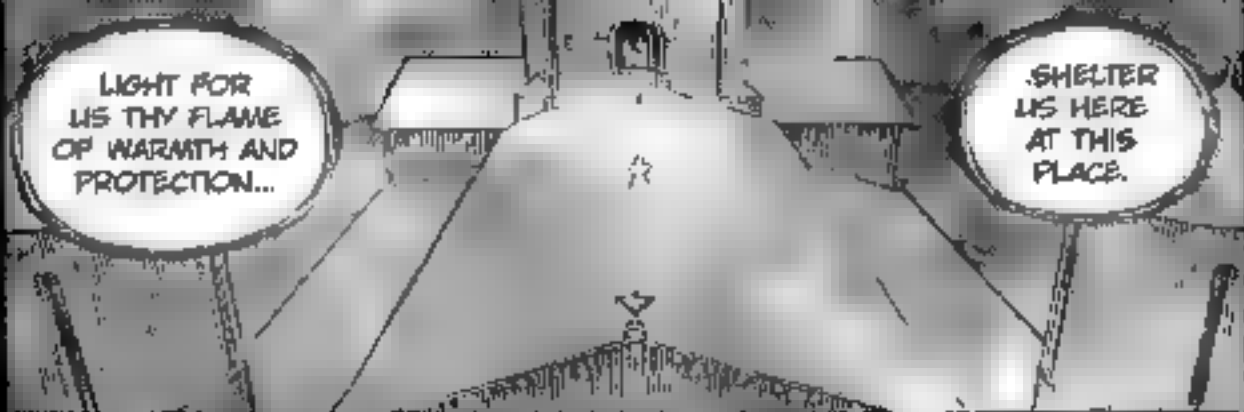


DON'T MAKE
A KID AND AN
OLD MAN DO
IT ALL

HEY
YOU
OUTS

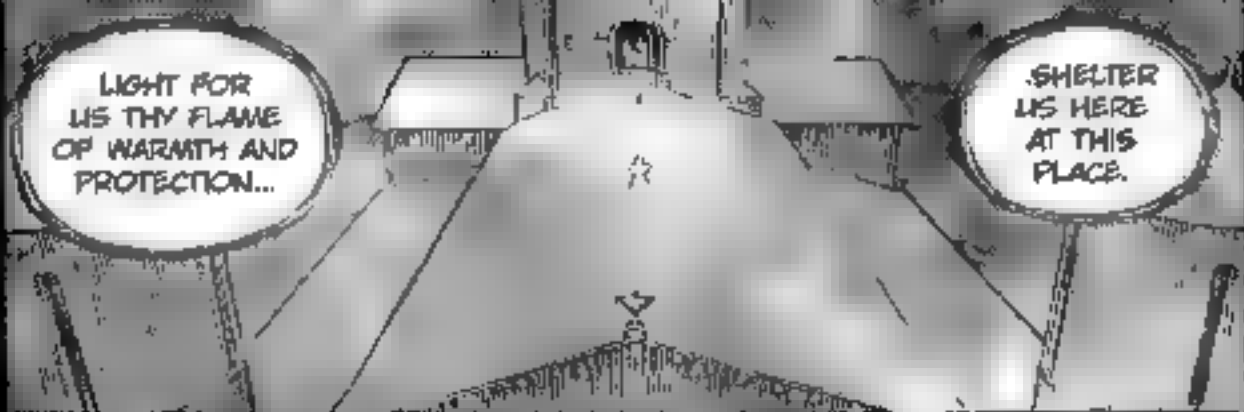


OLD
MAN!!
HEY!!



LIGHT FOR
US THY FLAME
OF WARMTH AND
PROTECTION...

SHELTER
US HERE
AT THIS
PLACE.



...AND WHOSE
GOLDEN RAIMENT
GLEAMS LIKE
THE SUN.

WHOSE
SPIRIT RISES
OVER THE
MOUNTAINS AS
A ZEPHYR..

...I CALL
THE FOUR
INVISIBLE
KINGS
TO THIS
PLACE.

SKY.

FIRE.

LAND.

FROM
EMPTY
SPACE

SEA.

O BLESSED
KING OF
THE EAST.


WOLF

ゴゴゴ

OH
BLESSED
KING
OF THE
WEST

WHOSE
NAME
TREMBLES
EVEN THE
WATER SPIRITS
WHO CAPER
BENEATH THE
WAVES.





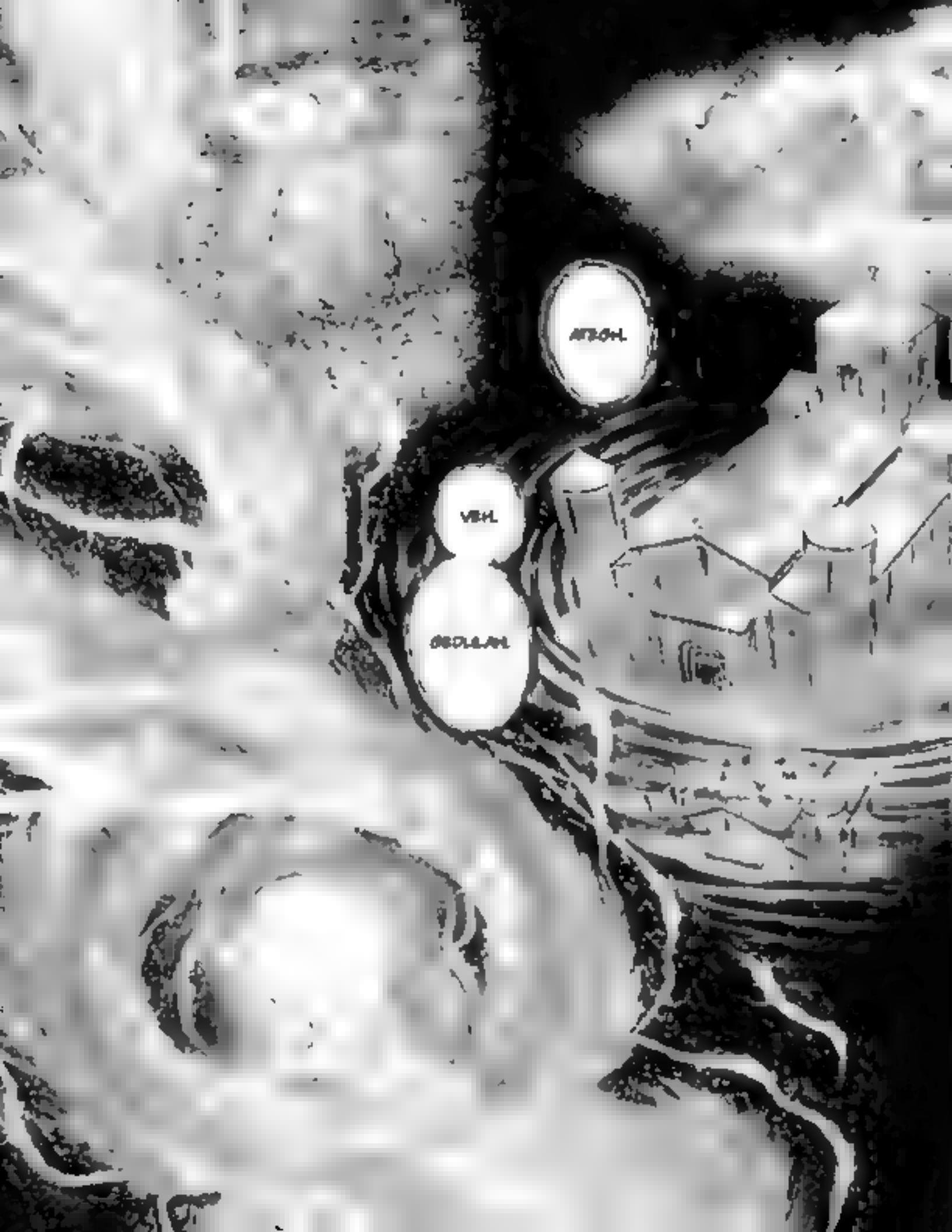
OH
BLESSED
KING
OF THE
NORTH...

IT IS
FOR THY
RULE
THAT ALL...

LIVING
BEINGS OF
THE EARTH
REJOICE.

OH
BLESSED
KING
OF THE
SOUTH...

BRILLIANCE
GREATER THAN
EVERLASTING
FLAME IS THY
MAJESTY.



VEH

VEH

VEH

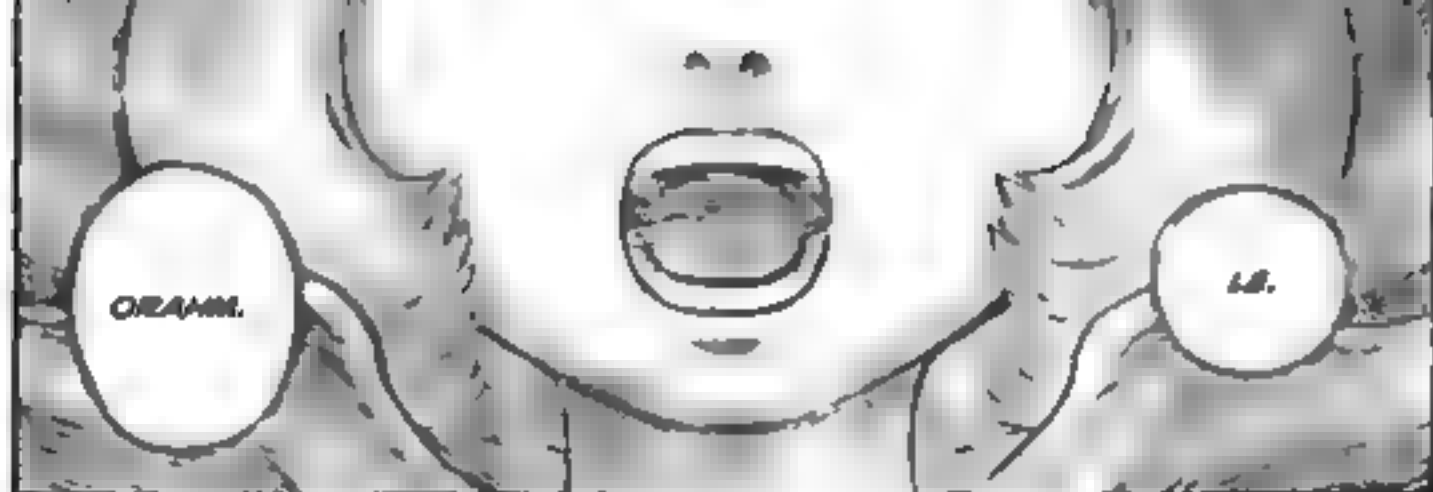
IN ALL PLACES,
MAY WE BE
PROTECTED BY
THE FOUR
SACRED KINGS...

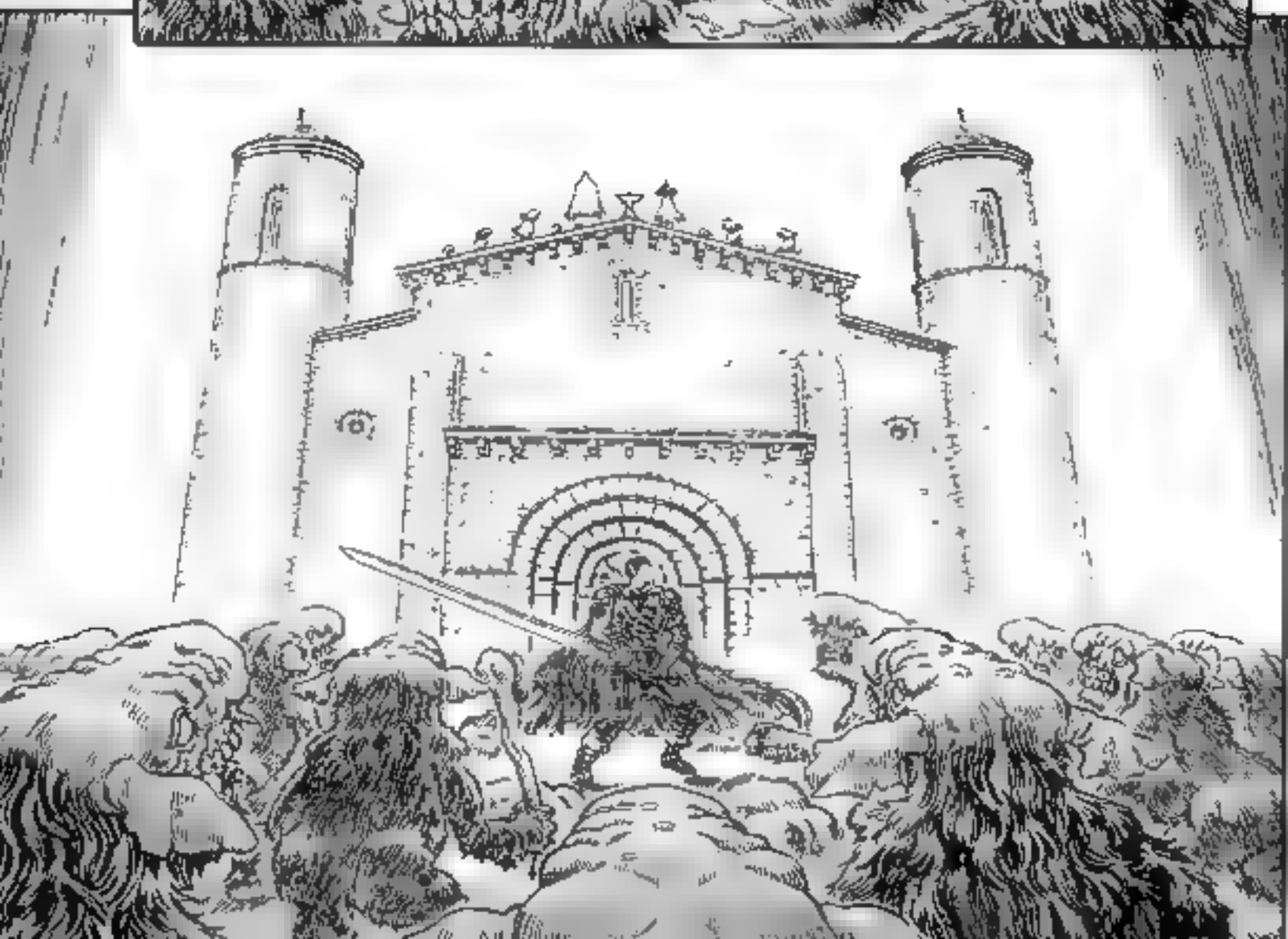
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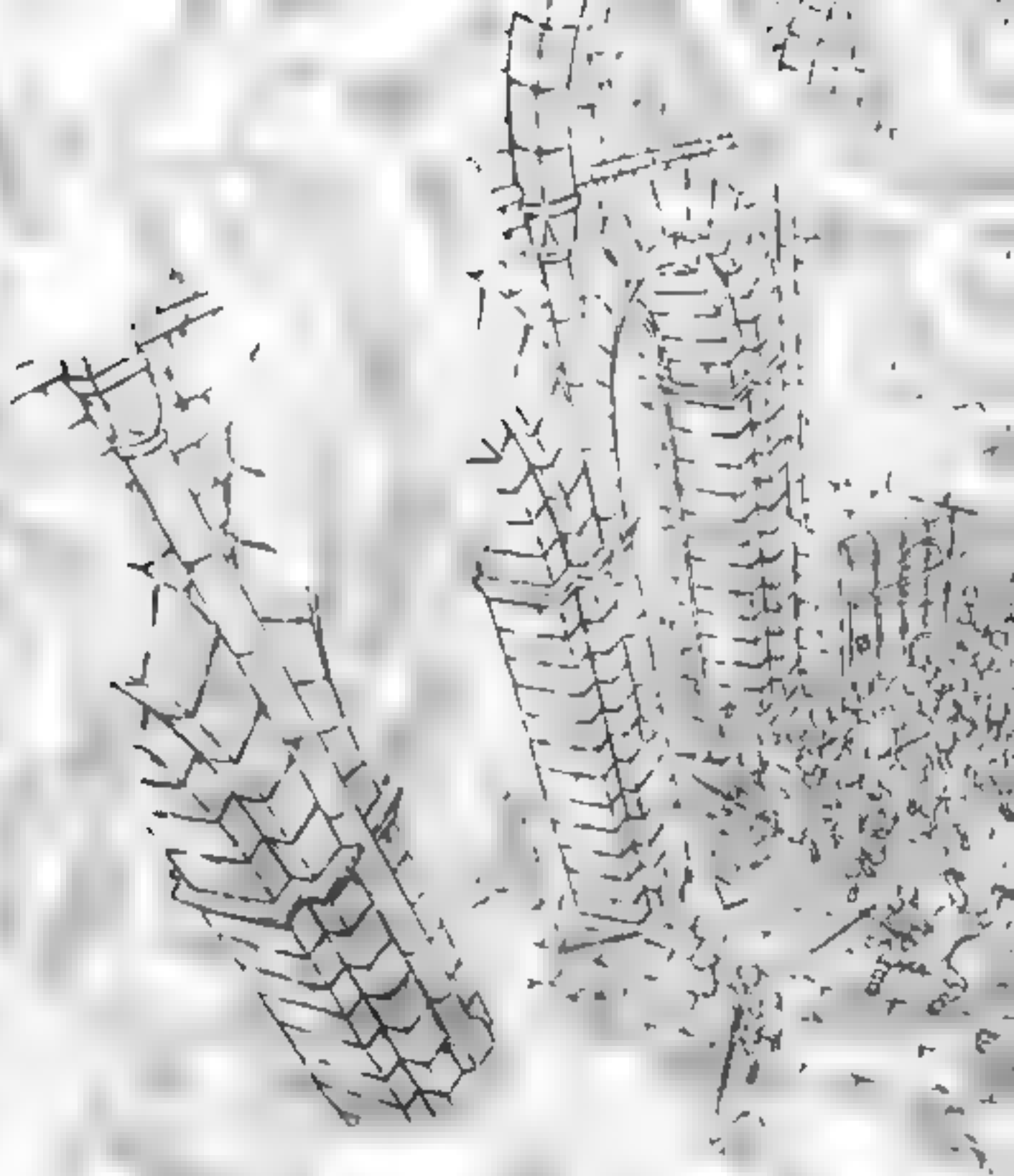
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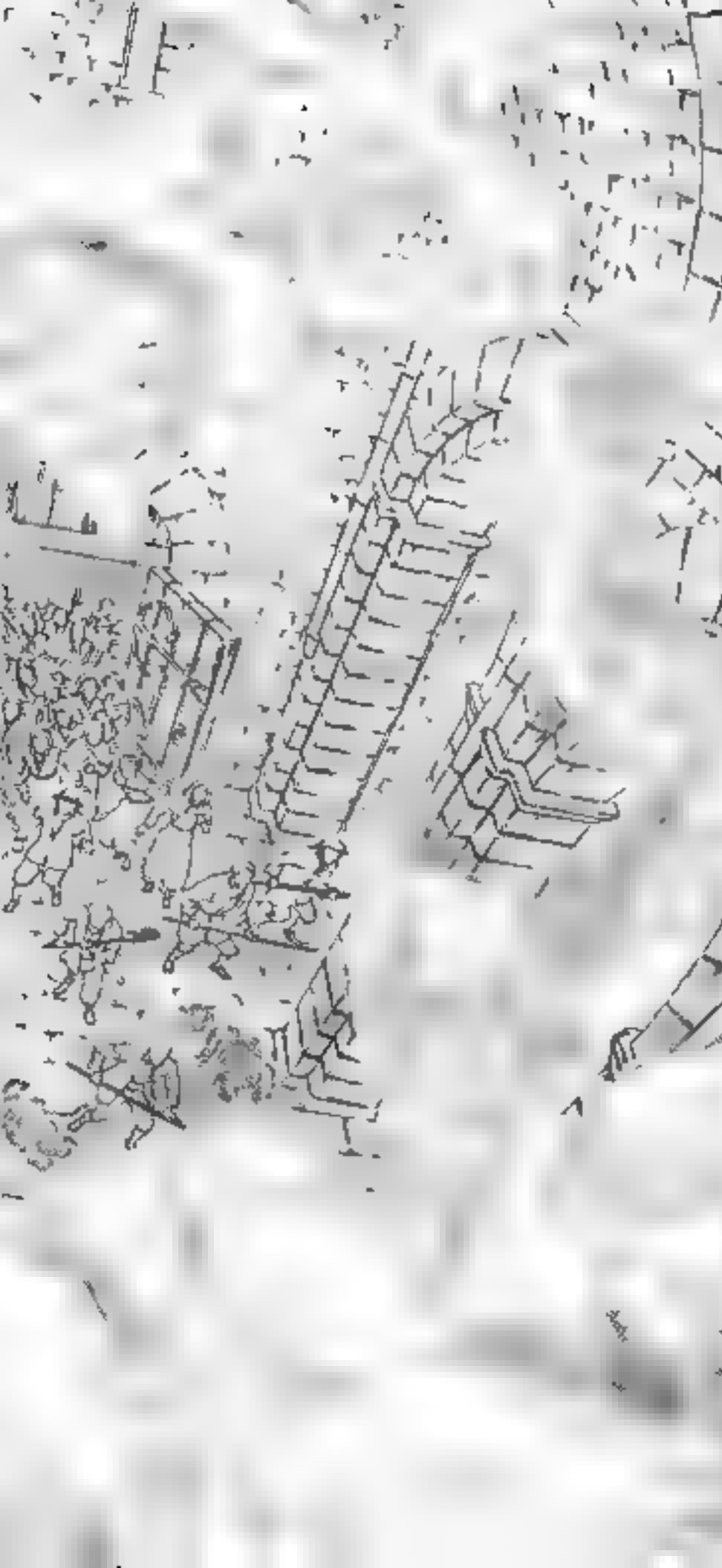
ALL OUR
WOES KEPT
DISTANT
FROM US.





祈りの奥義
THE ARCANUM OF INVOCATION





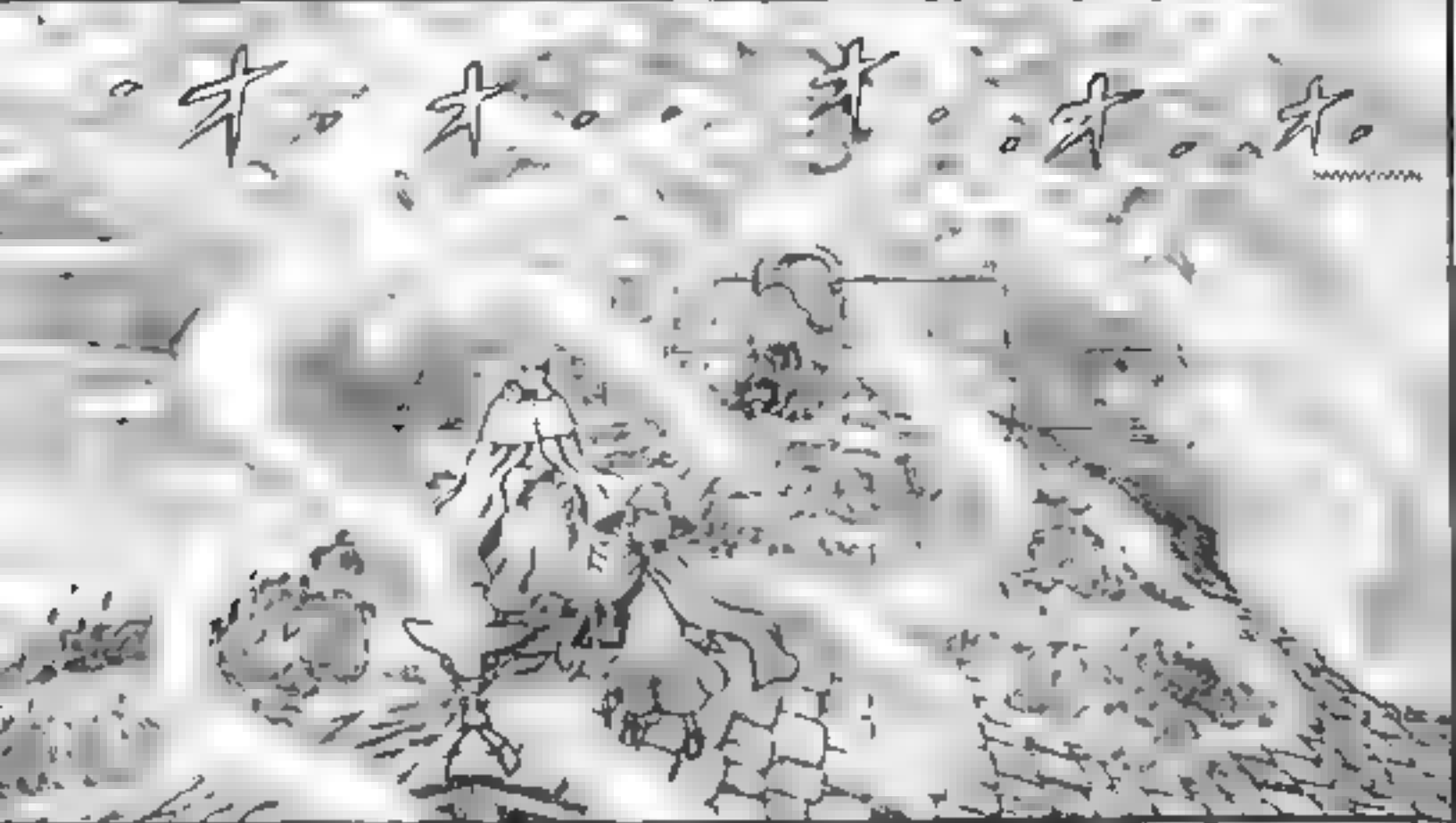


...HER MAGIC?!

IS THAT?




才。才。才。才。才。











ARE THE
FOUR CARDINAL
GUARDIAN ANGELS
WRITTEN OF IN
YOUR HOLY
SCRIPTURES.

THOSE
GREAT
BRINGS.




THE SUN
IS THE SUN,
AND LIGHT
IS LIGHT.

WHATEVER
DIFFERENT
WORDS YOU
USE TO
EXPRESS
THEM...



THE MANTRAS
CHANTED MAY
DIFFER, BUT
ARE NOT SOULS
IN WANT OF
SALVATION ALL
THE SAME?



GOD'S NAME
BELONGS
ONLY TO GOD.
IT IS NOT
FOR MAN TO
CONDUCT.

TO DIVIDE
AND OPPRESS
PEOPLE BECAUSE
OF THOSE
DIFFERENCES
IS FOLLY.

.. IS A
SANCTUARY
WHERE
PEOPLE
COMMUNICATE
WITH
ANGELS OR
SPIRITS.

A
CHURCH

THEY DO NOT
CALL FORTH
MIRACLES LIKE
YOUR SPELL...

OUR
MANTRAS DO
NOT HAVE
THIS KIND
OF POWER!

A
MAGICIAN
...

...CONSTRUCTS
THIS SANCTUARY
WITHIN HER
OWN MIND.

WITHIN
HER
MIND..

..THE MIND
IS ALL
WITH WHICH
WE CAN
PERCEIVE
THEM.

AS FOR
THOSE
WHO EXIST
AS IDEAS...

..BUT
EXISTS
WITHIN THE
SPIRITUAL
WORLD,
RIGHT ?

THE SPIRIT
IS NOT OF
THIS MORTAL
BODY..

...CONSCIOUSLY
ENVISION THE
FIGURE OF THE
SPIRIT TO BE
ADDRESSED...

REGARDING
MAGIC,
THE USER
MUST
ALWAYS..

...DISTINCTLY
ENOUGH TO
PERCEIVE IT
LITERALLY.



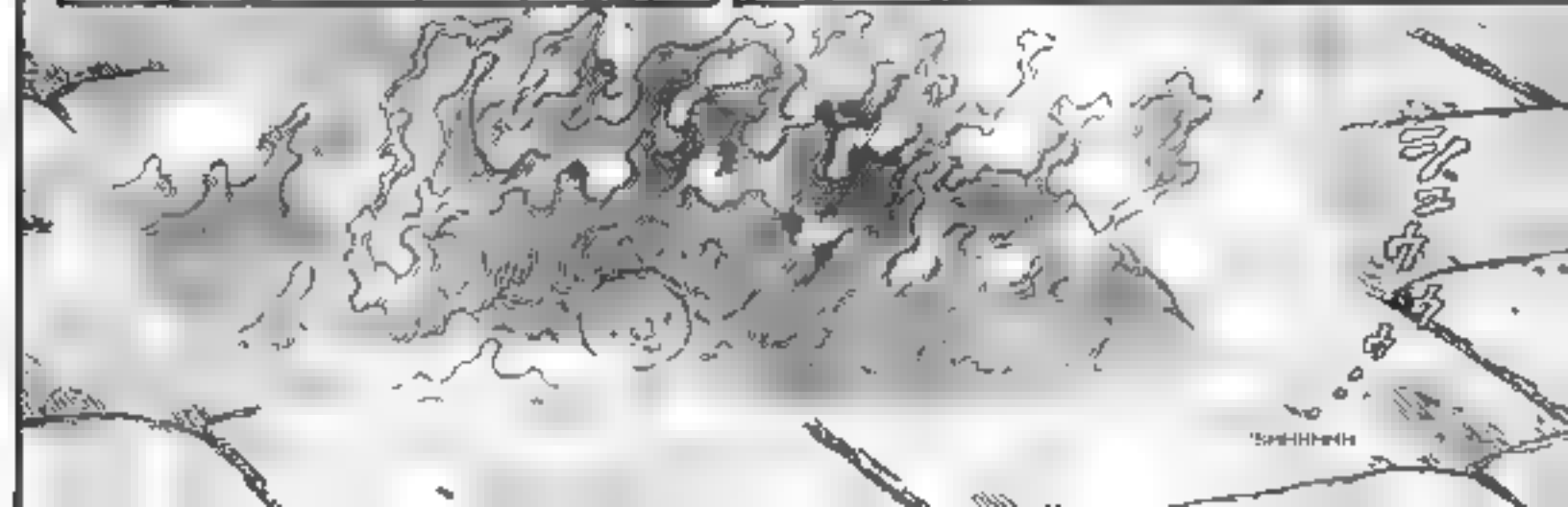
SO LONG AS
THERE IS
NO MARGIN
OF DOUBT,
ONE CAN SEE,
FEEL, FULLY
PERCEIVE IT.

IT IS NOT
AN ATTEMPT
TO BELIEVE
IN SOMETHING
ONE CANNOT
SEE.



CAN
THIS TRULY
BE...?

SPIRITUAL
PERCEP-
TION..

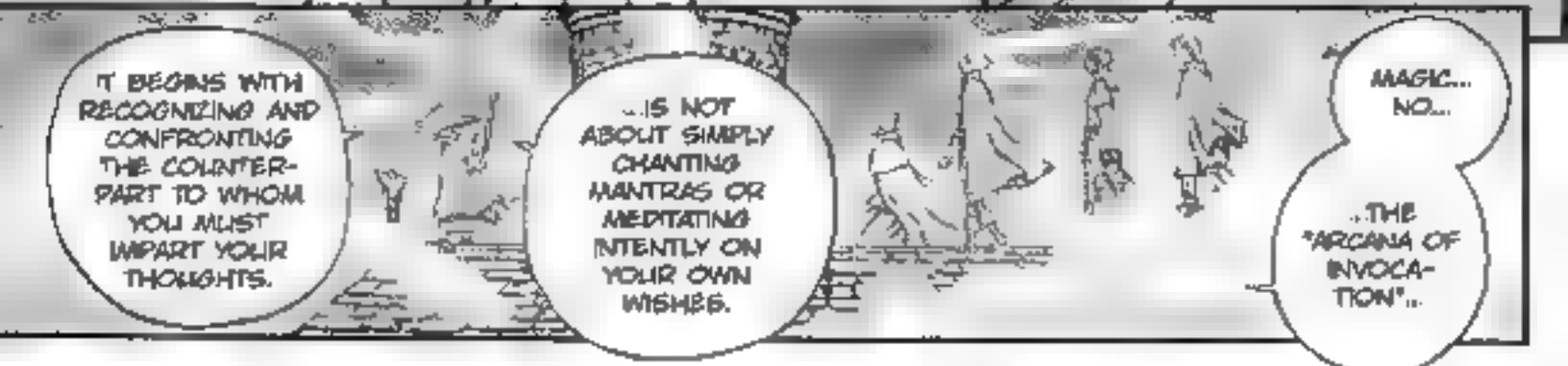




YES.

TO SENSE
AND BE
SENSED, FEEL
AND BE FELT,
BY THOSE
NOT OF THIS
WORLD.

HUMANITY
IS CAPABLE
OF THIS.



IT BEGINS WITH
RECOGNIZING AND
CONFRONTING
THE COUNTER-
PART TO WHOM
YOU MUST
IMPART YOUR
THOUGHTS.

...IS NOT
ABOUT SIMPLY
CHANTING
MANTRAS OR
MEDITATING
INTENTLY ON
YOUR OWN
WISHES.

MAGIC...
NO...

...THE
"ARCANUM OF
INVOCATION"...



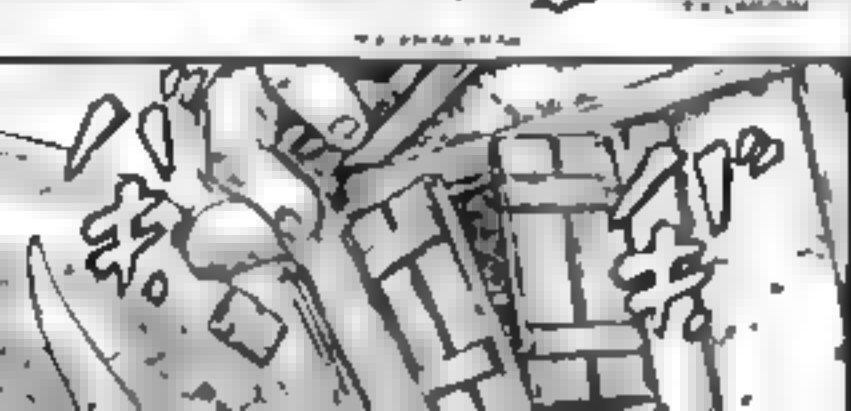
BUT
THEN...

...AT THE
SAME TIME
THERE ARE
ALSO GREAT
DANGERS
INVOLVED...



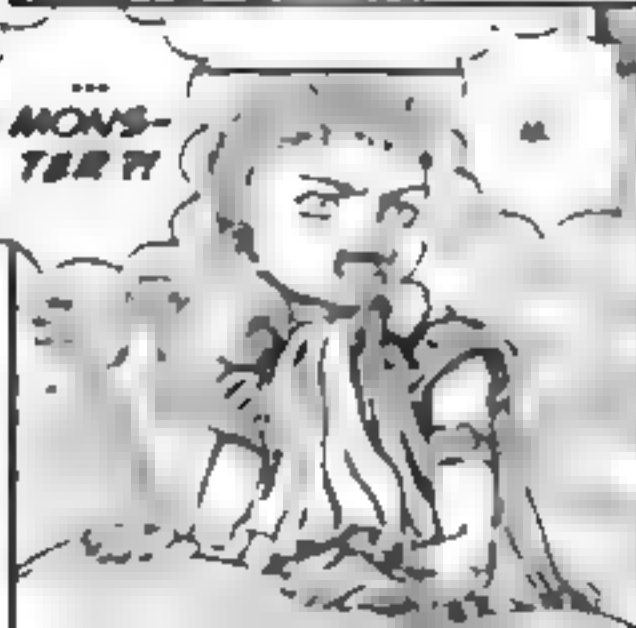


WHAT'S THAT?



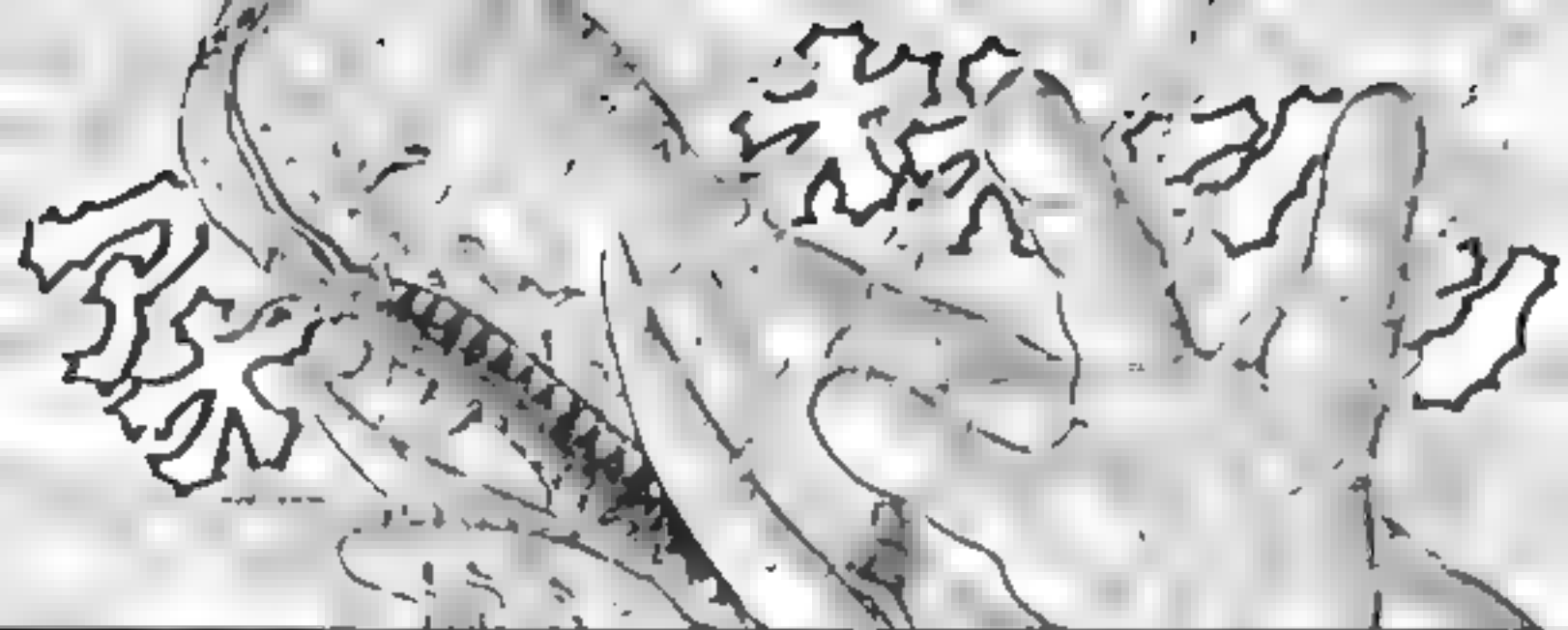


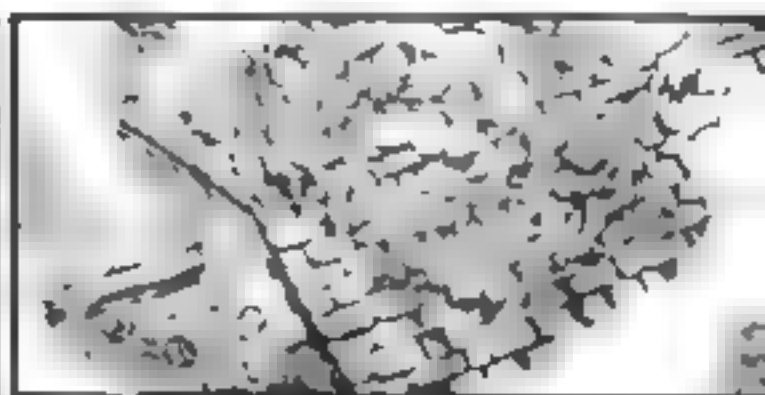














BUT IT HAS
NO EFFECT
ON PHYSICAL
OBJECTS!!

THE BARRIER
IS EFFECTIVE
AGAINST
ETHEREAL
BODIES..



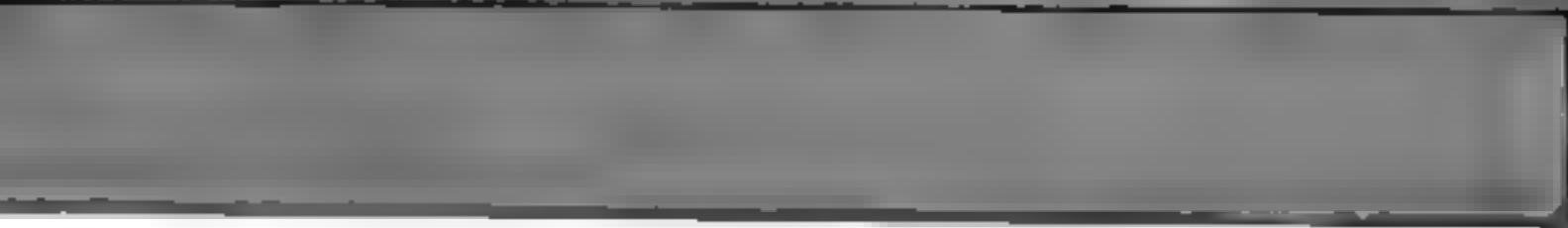
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WHAT..?

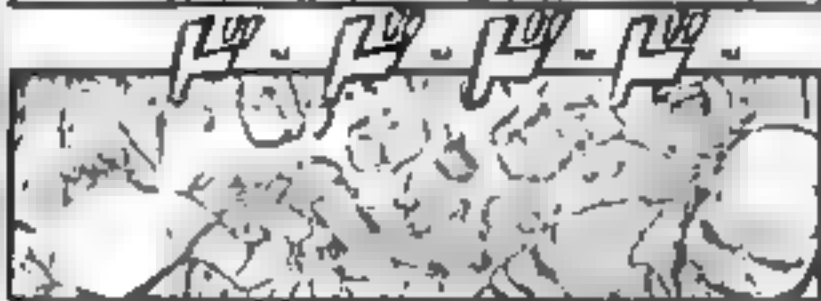


EVIL HORDE, PART 1

魔群①

BERSERK





WE'RE
DONE
FOR!!

WITH A
MONSTER
LIKE
THAT OUT
THERE //

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14-14-14-14

WE MUST
CREATE AN
OPENING. //

CHANCE
FOR ME
TO CAST
A SPELL
!!

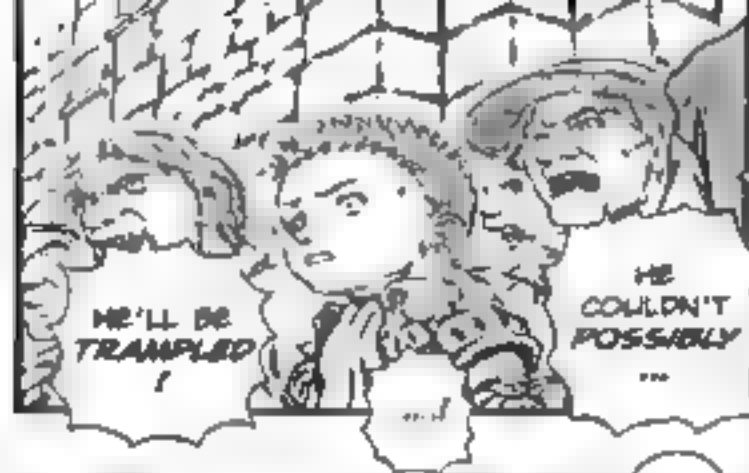
“才”“才”“才”





...BOSS.

UNDER-
STOOD...

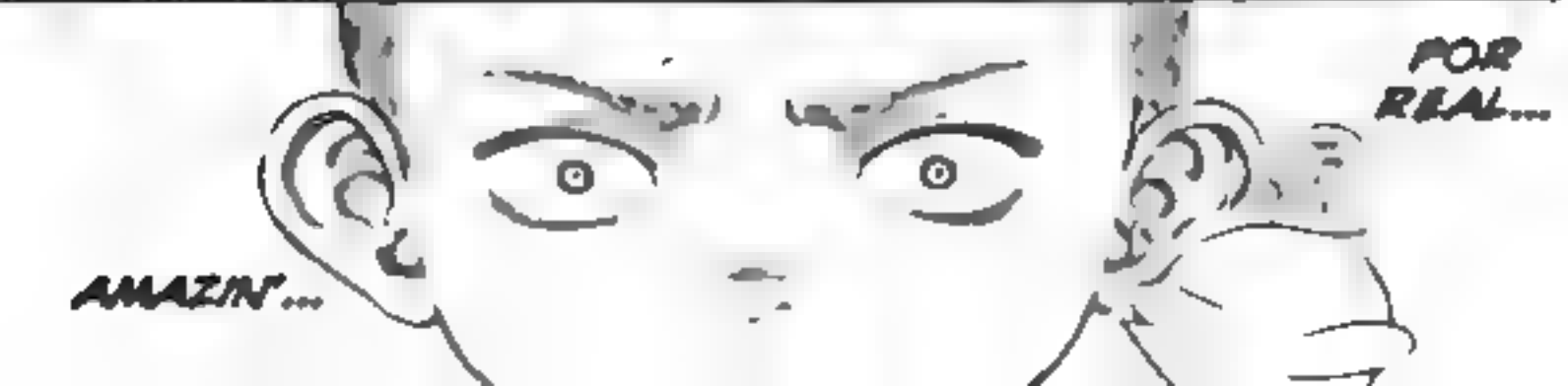
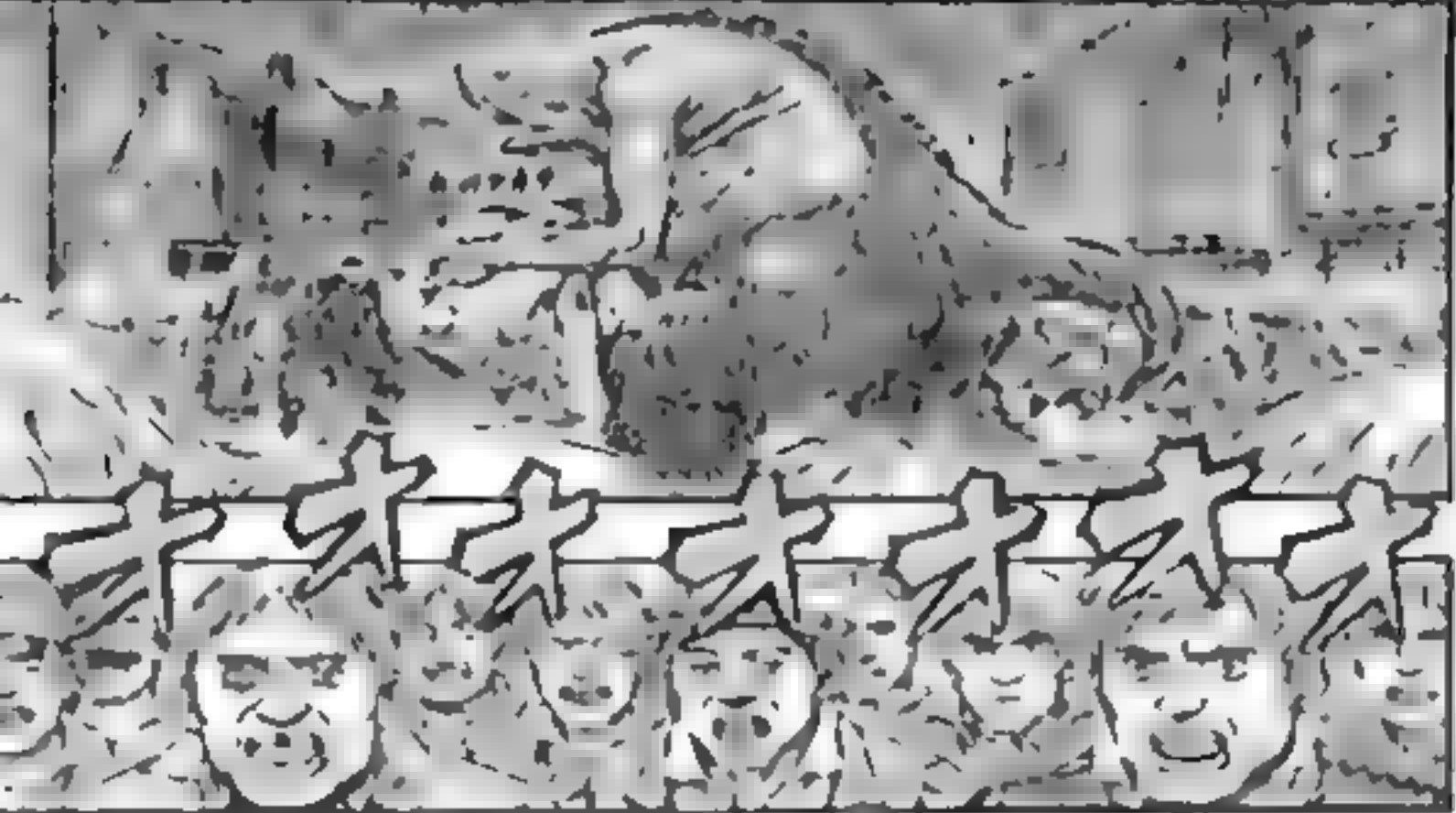






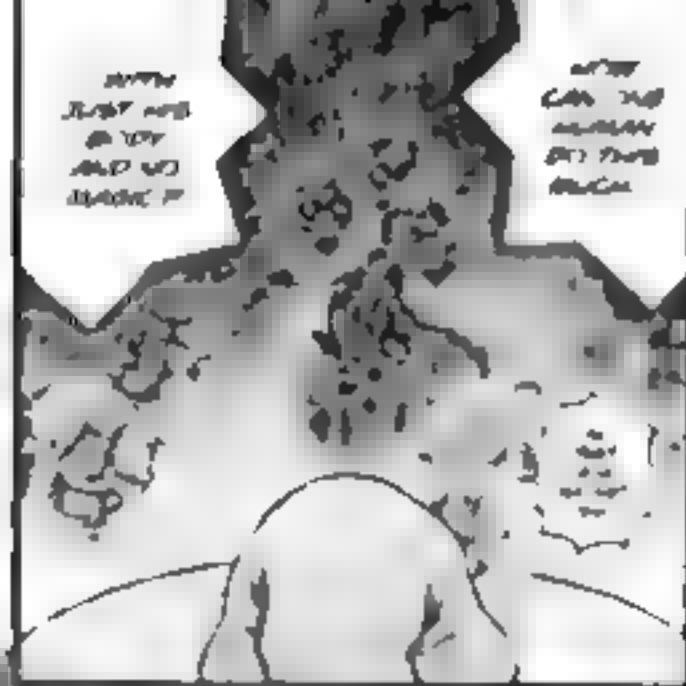






AMAZIN...

FOR
REAL...



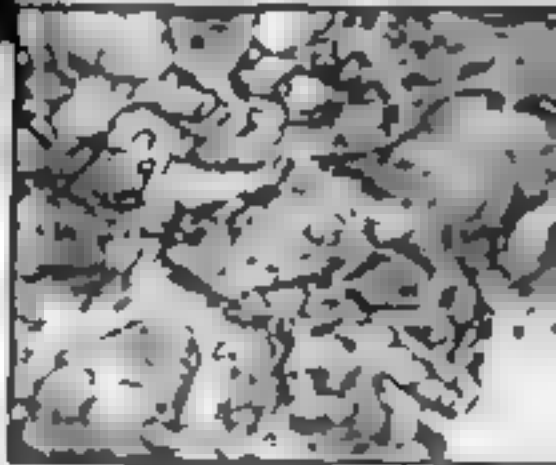
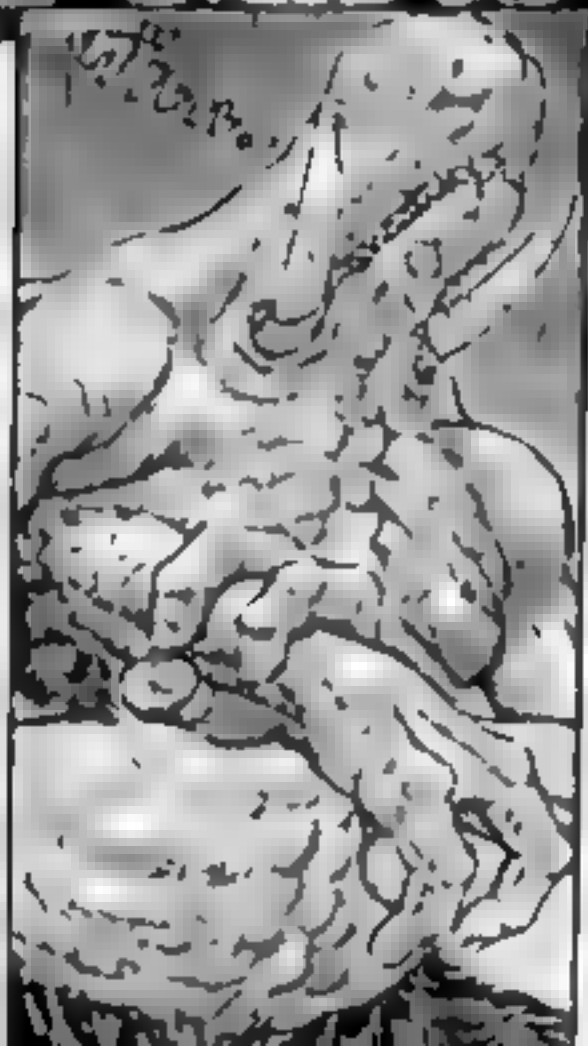
WHY
JUST NOW
DO YOU
WALK UP
TOWARD ME

WHY
CAN YOU
WALK
UP TOWARD
ME



BUT I NEVER
EXPECTED
THIS MUCH

I ALREADY
THOUGHT
HE WAS
SUPER
HUMAN



ズン

NOT
LIKE THE
FROGS

AND IS AS
FLAT AS
AND AS IS
HARD



OR
BEATING
THE APP
PULSE





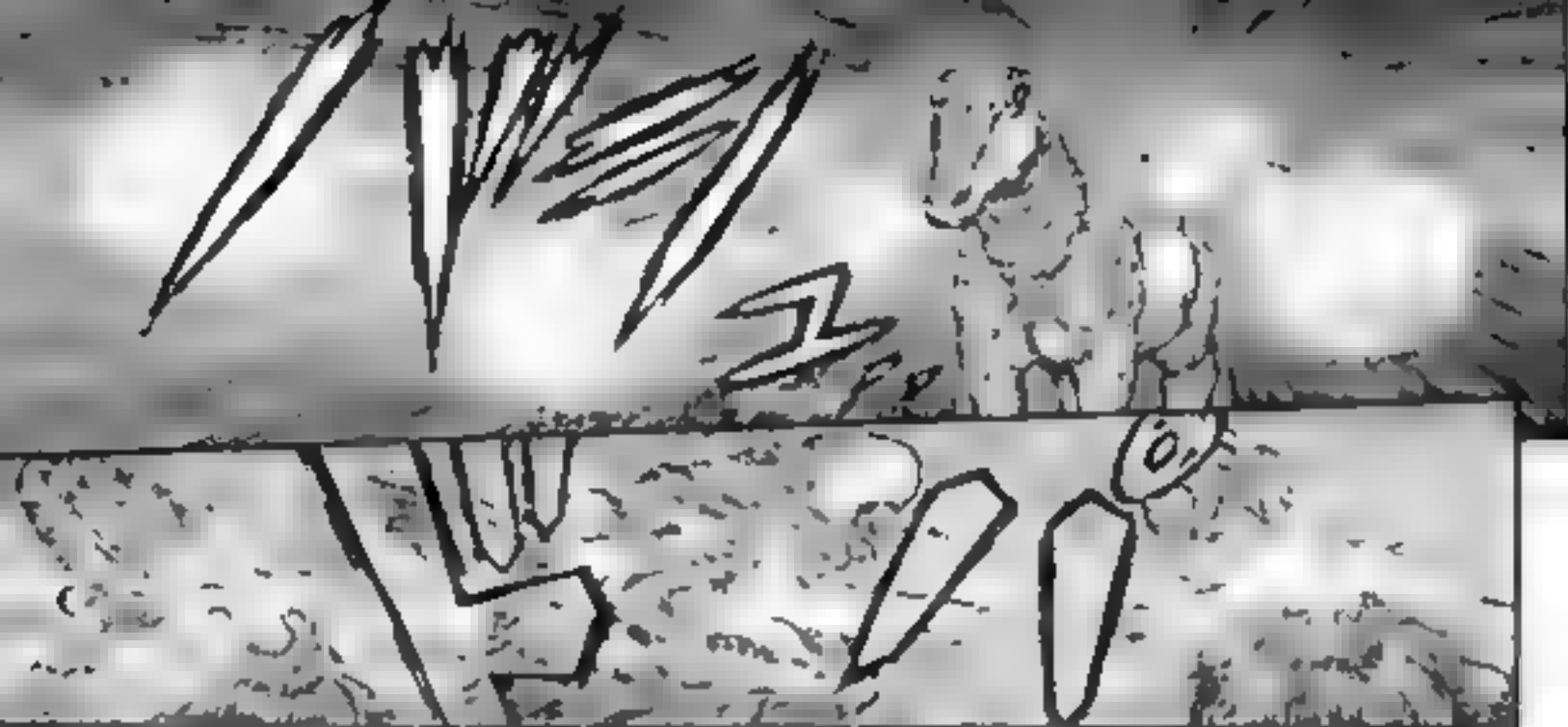


FROM
ONE TO
THE
NEXT

A KILLER
IN AN
AQUATIC
AND
SPACE
SURVIV-
THREAT
SCENARIO

Figure 1

**A
KELPER
IN THE
RAIN...**



SERPOO

I
WILL
DO

THEY
MAKE NO
DISTINCTION?

HEY,
HEY

THEY
ARE JUST
OBEYING
THEIR
MISTERS!

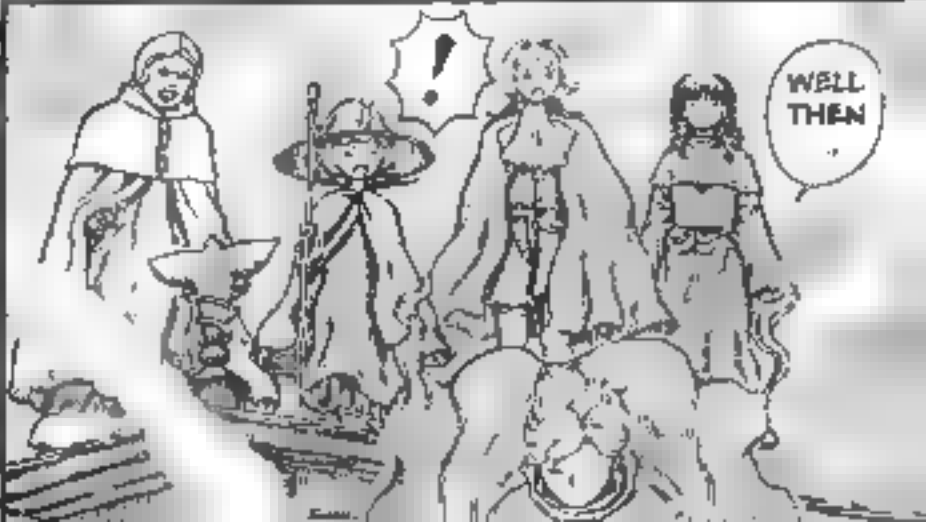
THEY WANT
TO EAT THE
SPECIAL
BREADS OF
LIVING MOUNTAINS
WHICH ARE
RARE FOR
THEM!

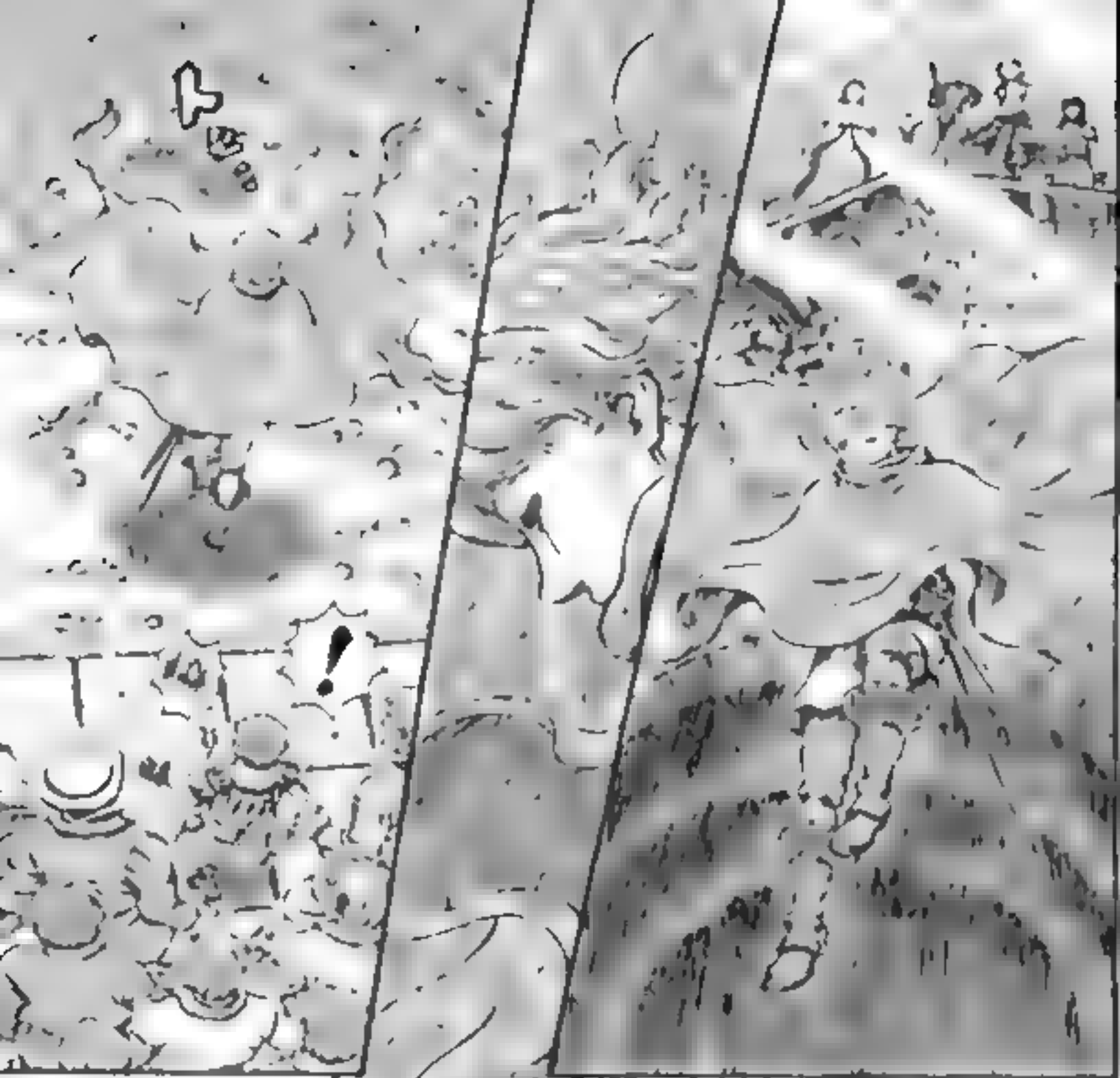
THIS IS
BAD!

I
DID NOT
ANTICIPATE.

IT'S
ABSURD!
FIGHTING
TROLLS IS
ONE THING,
BUT

AN OGRE
AND KALPE
ON TOP
OF THE
TROLLS!





THE
SHEPHERD
THAT
WALKS
IN
SUCH
A
SILENT
TIME

HE'S
HAPPY



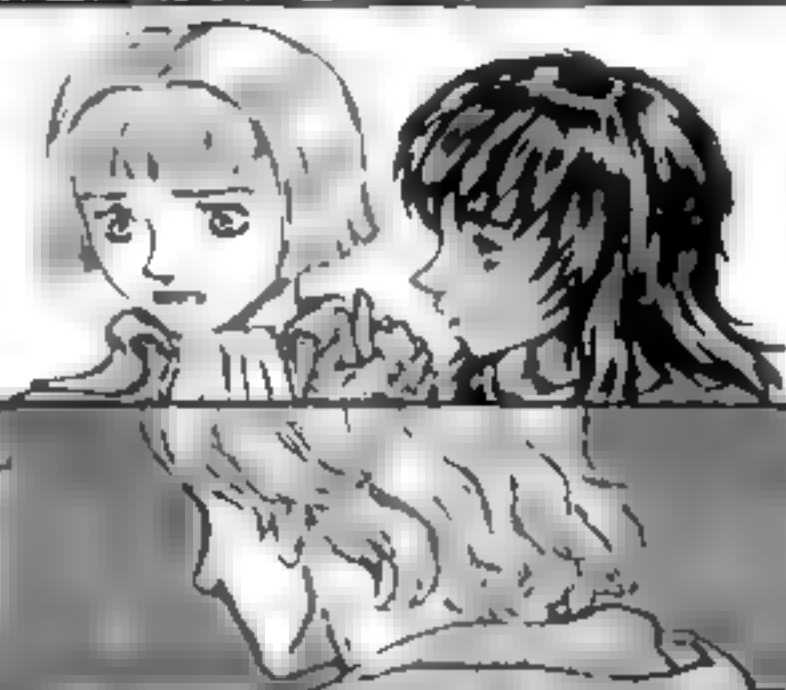
HE
FLEW

TO
THE
SKY



NO,
I DIDN'T
THINK TO
TRY.

I WAS
UNABLE
TO SET
YOU FREE.



ENTERED A
DARK REPOSE
WITH ANOTHER
CLOSED SOUL
AND ANOTHER
PART OF ME

I WAS
SIMPLY
DECEIVED



THAT YOU
SEEM AT AN
END NOW



THEY
AREN'T
LIKE THE
USUAL

DO
CAREFUL

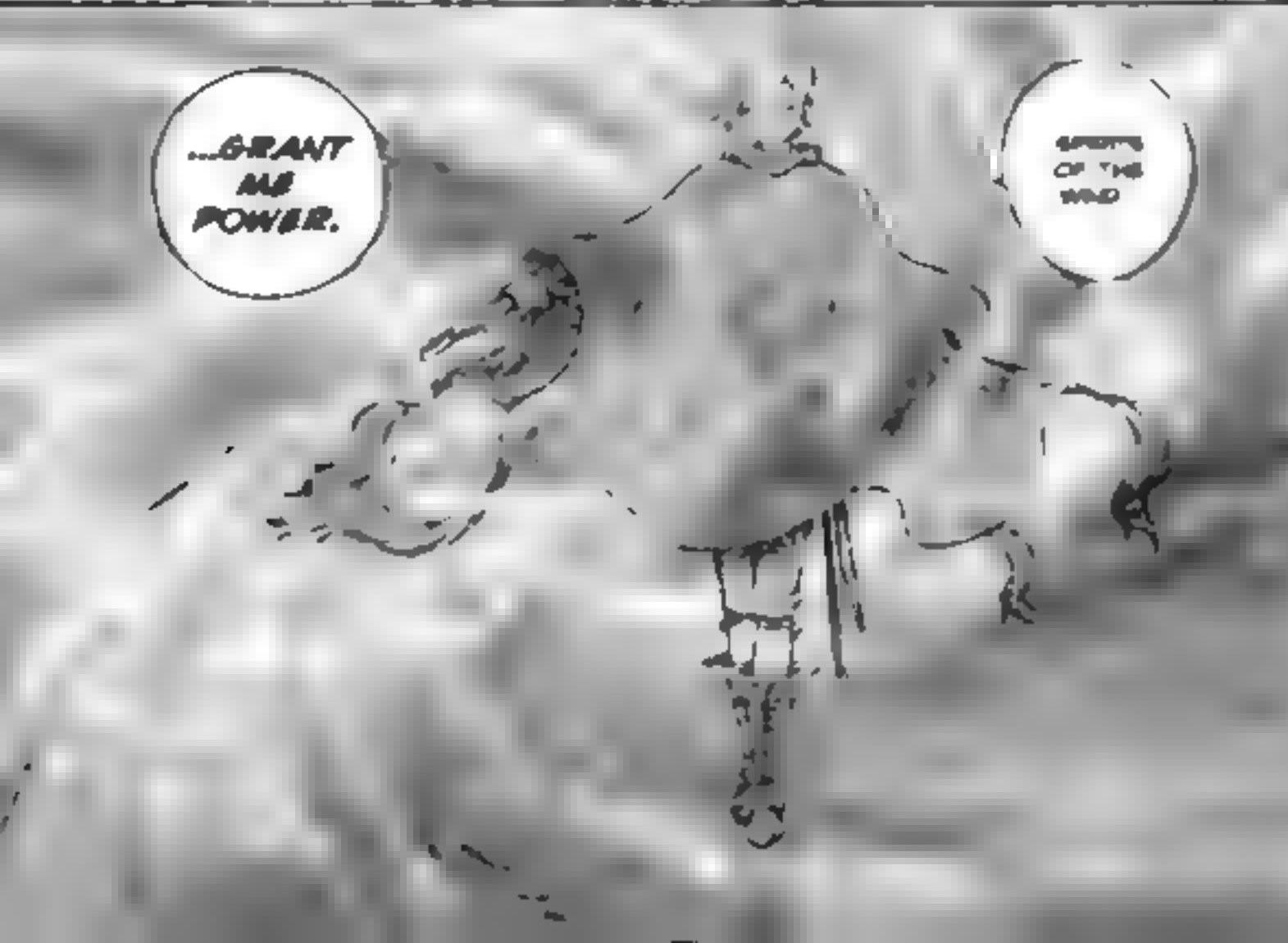


DOES THE
THAT BY
THEIR ONLY
SAY I THINK I
POSSIBLE IN
THE STORM

AT
THE

WHATEVER
THE
USUAL
IS

AND IS
SHALL A
JUST



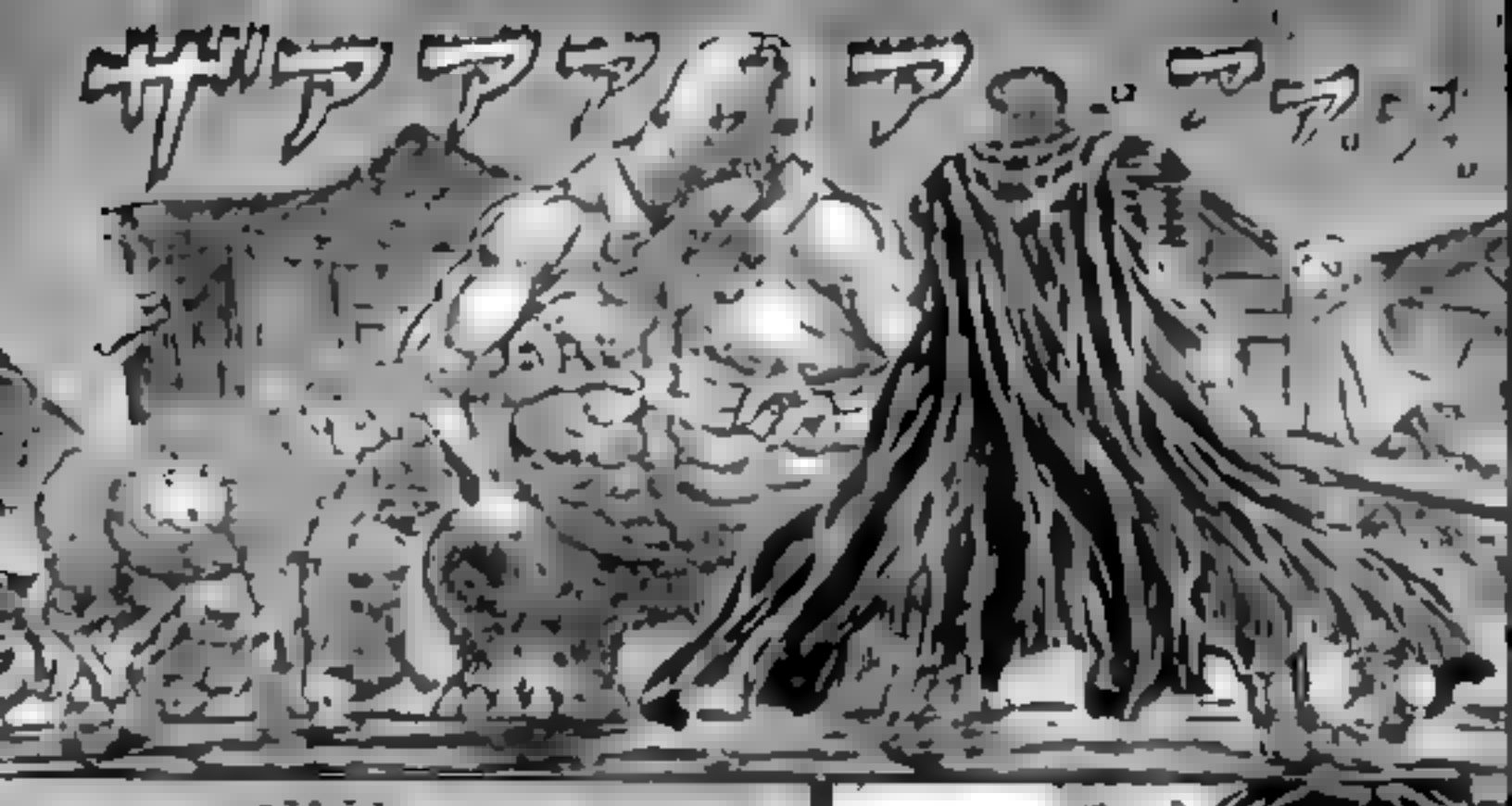
...GRANT
ME
POWER.

SPOTS
OF THE
WIND

EVIL HORDE, PART 2

魔群②

BERSERK





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FX ZOM ZOM



DSH DSH



FX FWASH FWASH



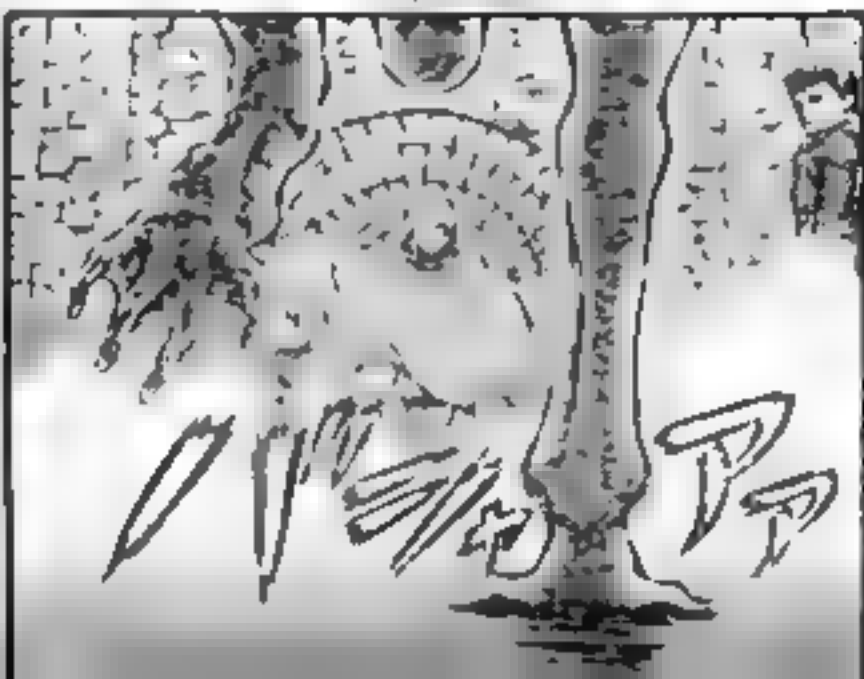


THE JUDGE

THE JUDGE

THAT FROG
WURSE IS
MY KIND OF
OPPONENT
YOU MAY LEAVE
IT TO ME.

SUIT
YOUR
SELF

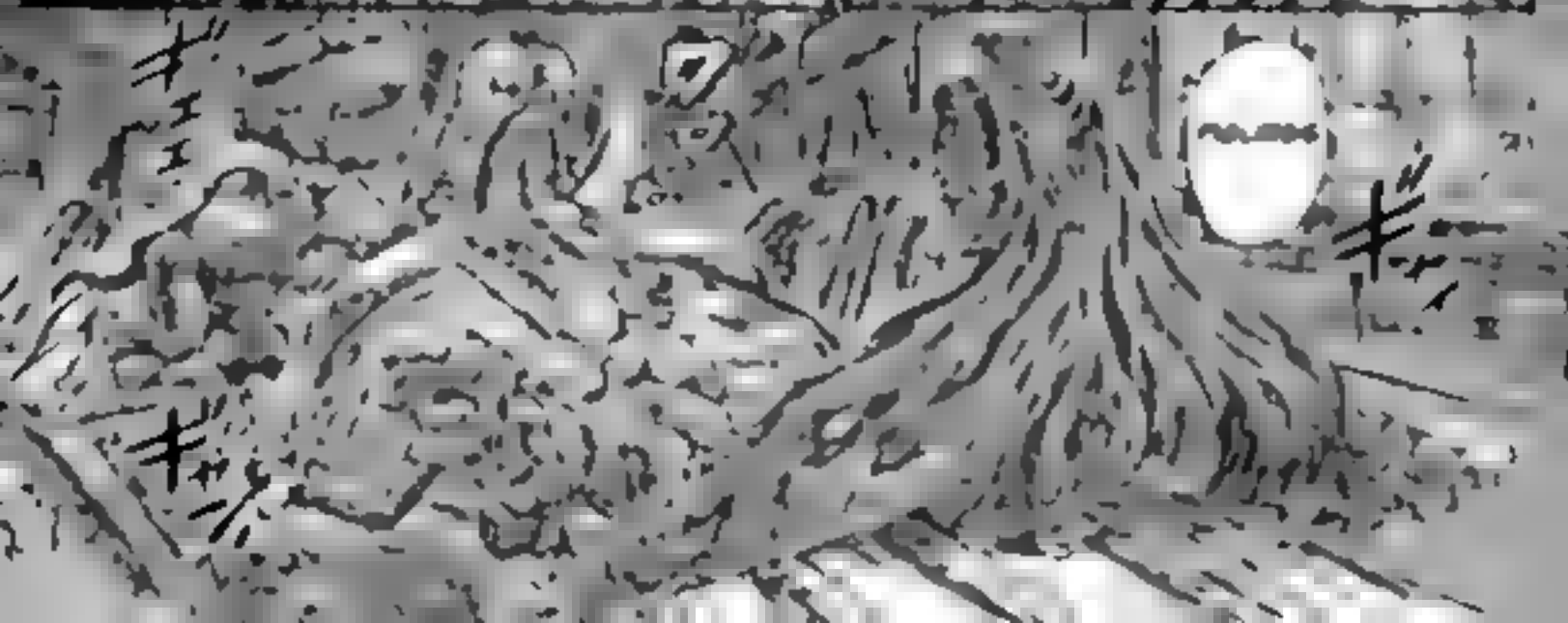
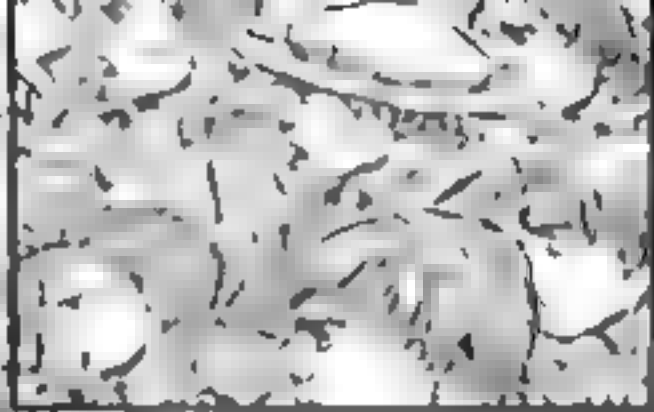


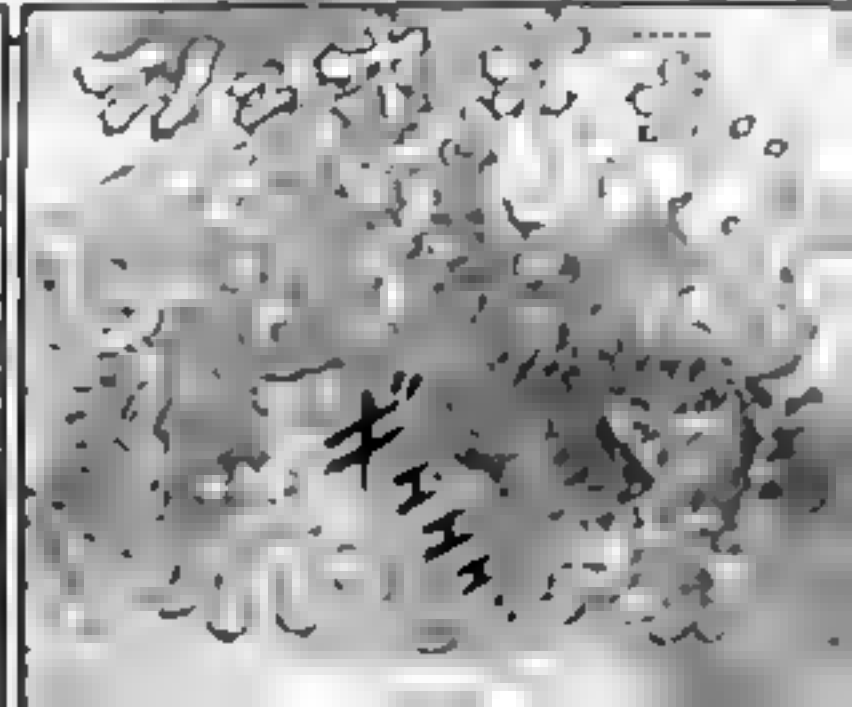
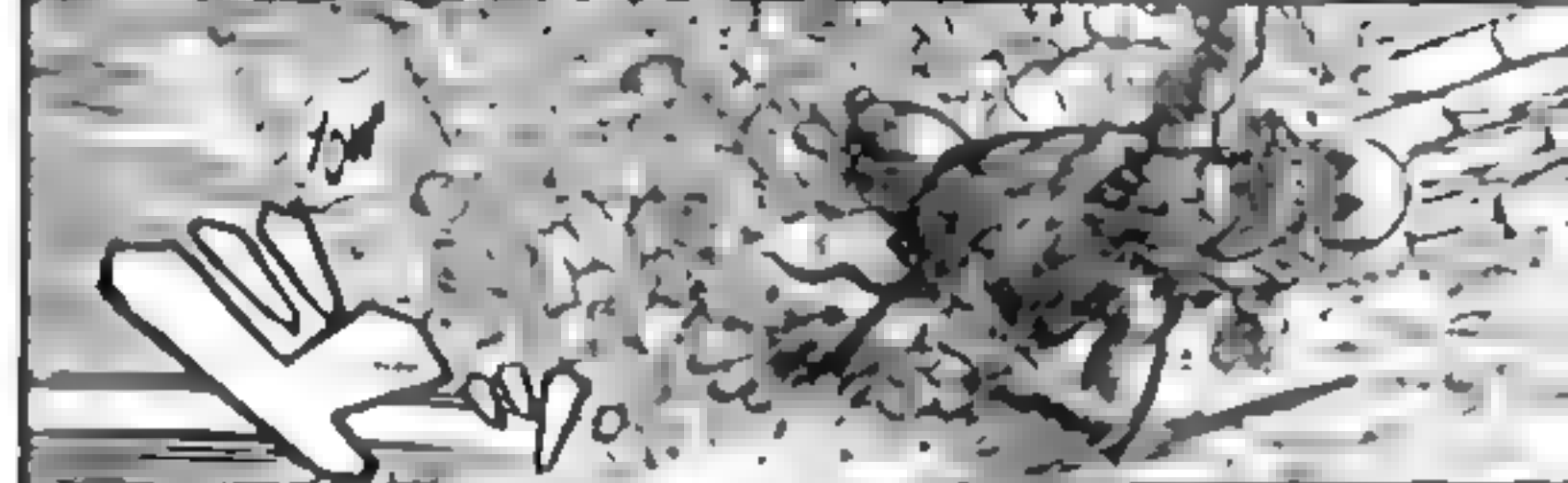


THIS ONE IS
A LOT BIGGER
THAN THE
OTHERS









A TIME
LIKE
THIS.

...AND
I CAN'T
DO A
THING. ??

DON'T
SWEAT IT
YOU'RE DOING
FINE. SHUT UP
AT LAST!


DEAR
LORD.

WH-WHAT A
SPECTACLE...

YOU MIGHT
NOT GET
A TURN IF
YOU DON'T
HURRY.

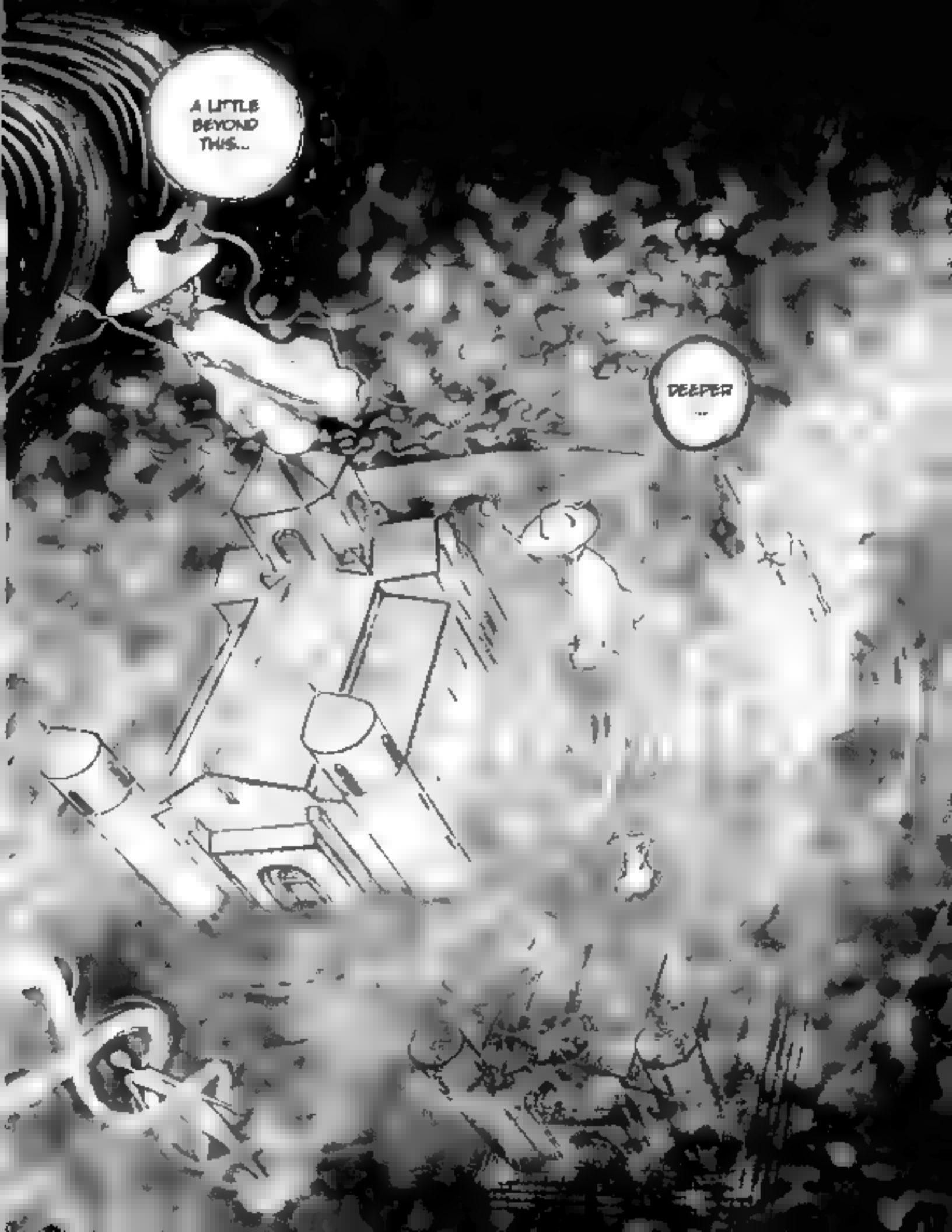
I MUST
MAKE
HASTE

~~~~~



STRATUM  
OF THE  
ASTRAL  
WORLD

!

A black and white comic book illustration. In the upper left, a character with long, flowing hair is shown from the chest up, looking towards the right. The background is a dense, dark forest with many trees. In the lower center, there is a large, rectangular stone structure, possibly a tomb or a monument, with some architectural details. To the right of this structure, a small, light-colored figure is visible, possibly a child or a small creature. The overall tone is mysterious and somber.

A LITTLE  
BEYOND  
THIS...

DEEPER

THIS IS  
A SANC-  
TUARY.

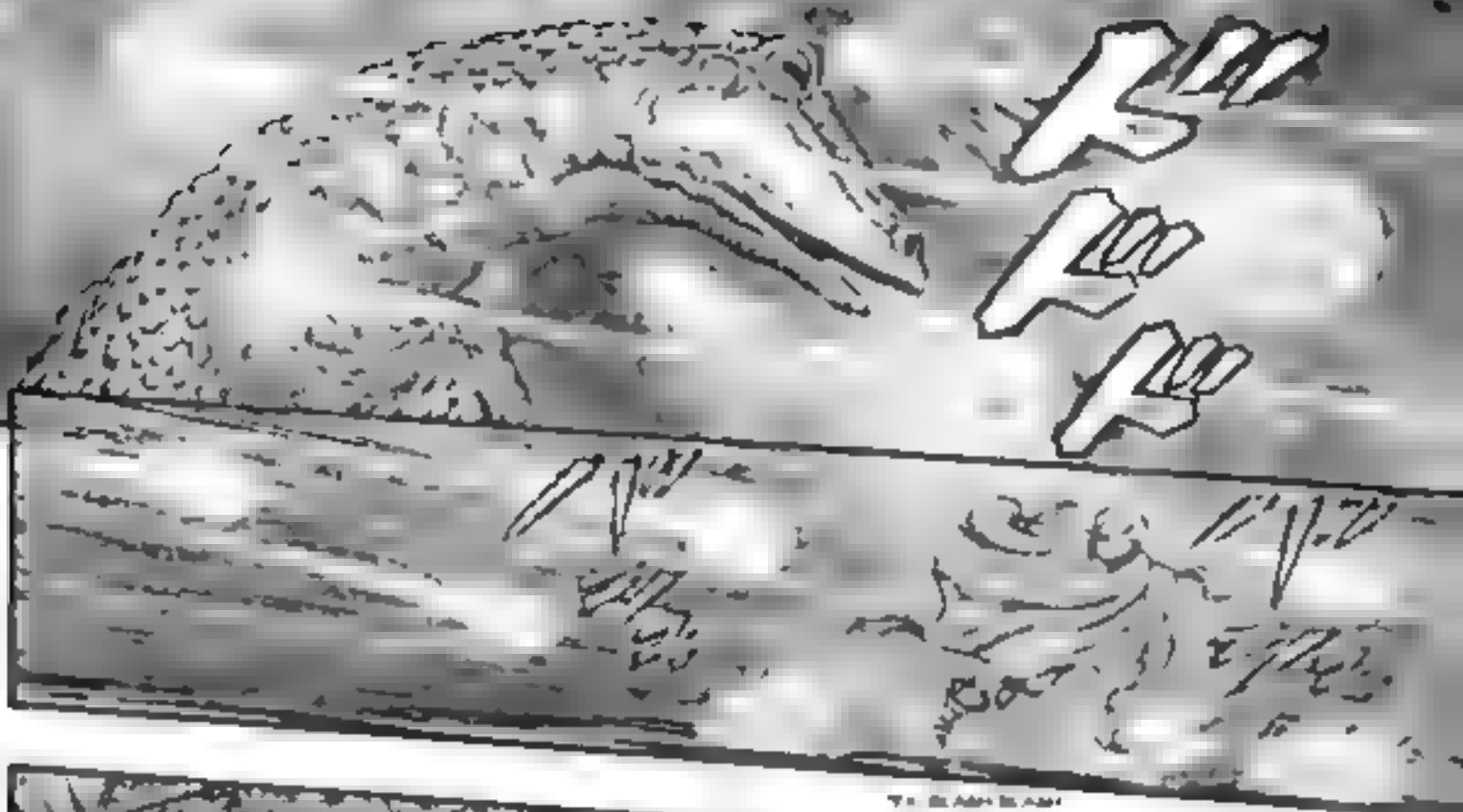
THE  
ETHEREAL  
FORM OF  
THE SANC-  
TUARY...

...ON THIS  
HILL BEFORE  
THE CHURCH  
WAS BUILT.

!







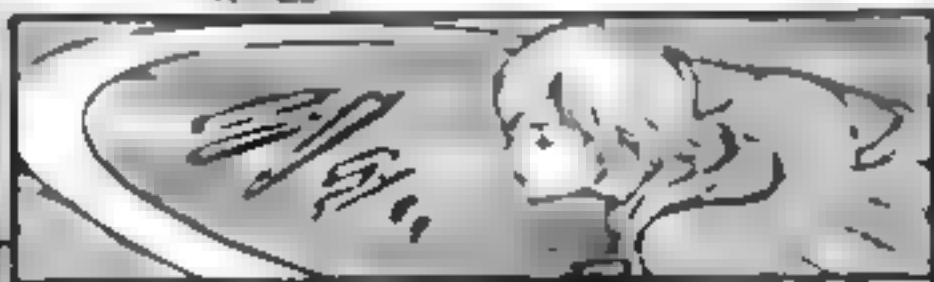


17. BLACKBURN

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18. BLACKBURN



IF I CAN'T  
BE HERE  
BE HERE  
BE HERE  
BE HERE

I'M BEING  
PUSHED  
AROUND



ALL OF MY  
ATTACKS ARE  
DEFLECTED  
BY THE WALL  
OF WATER

THIS  
IS NO  
GOOD



19. BLACKBURN

OH  
WELL, I  
CAN'T  
MOVE TO  
DEFEND  
AGAINST  
AN  
ATTACK

WHAT IF  
I HAVE  
THROUGH  
A SPLASH  
OF WATER  
COULD MAKE  
SUCH A  
PLACE ?





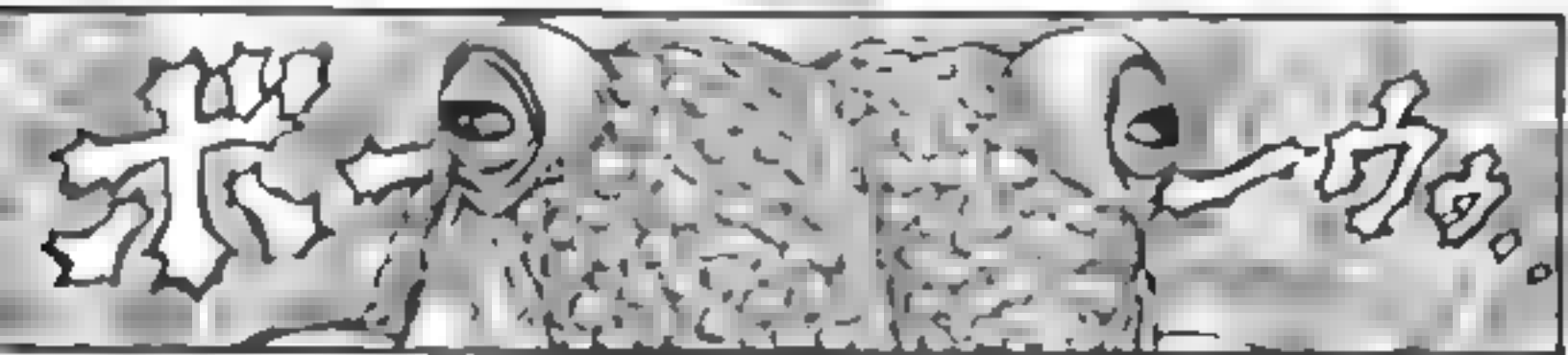
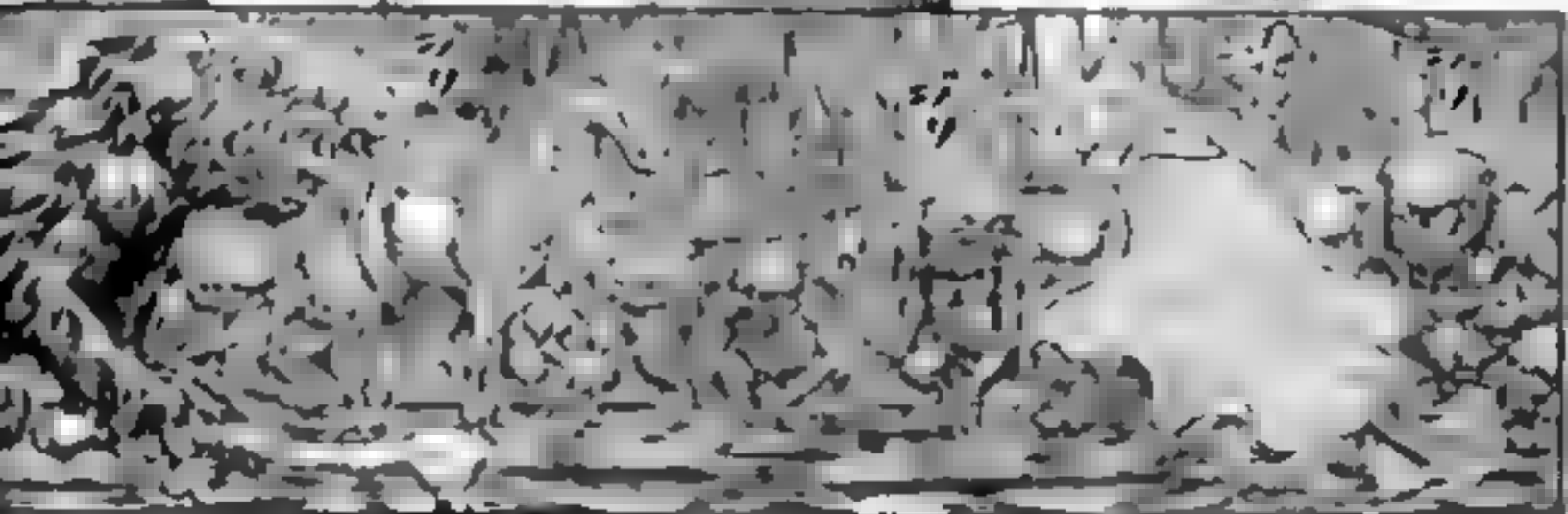
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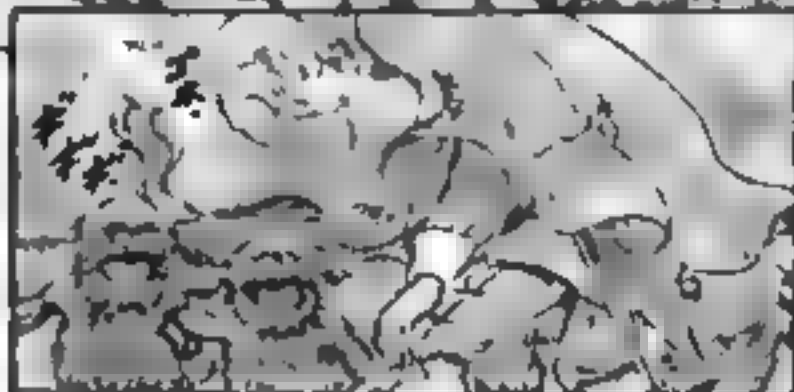


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WHAT THE...?!





I VERY  
NEARLY  
DROWNED  
ON LAND.

WELL,  
WELL.

SPROUTING  
WATER  
IS NOT  
YOUR ONLY  
TRICK.

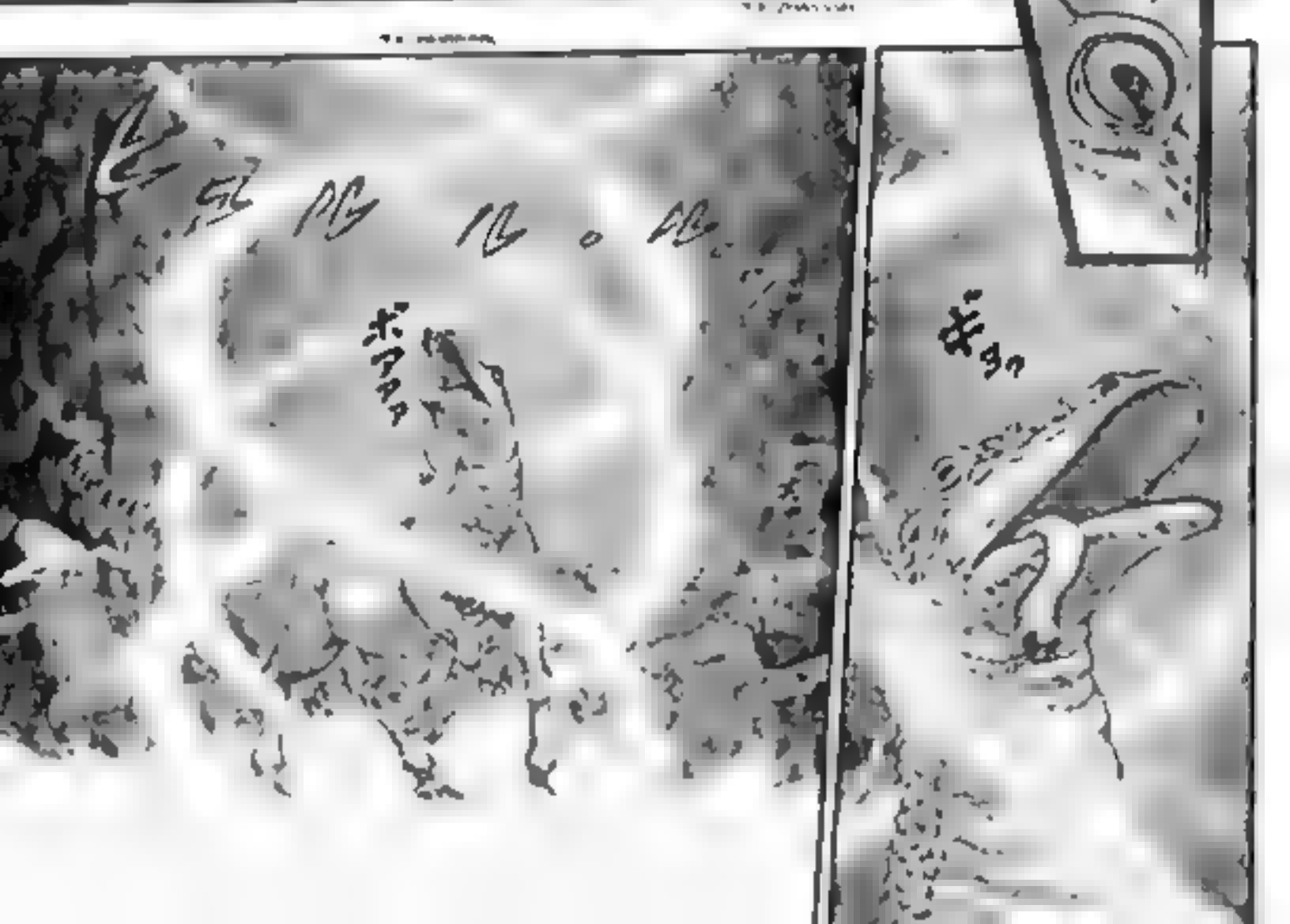


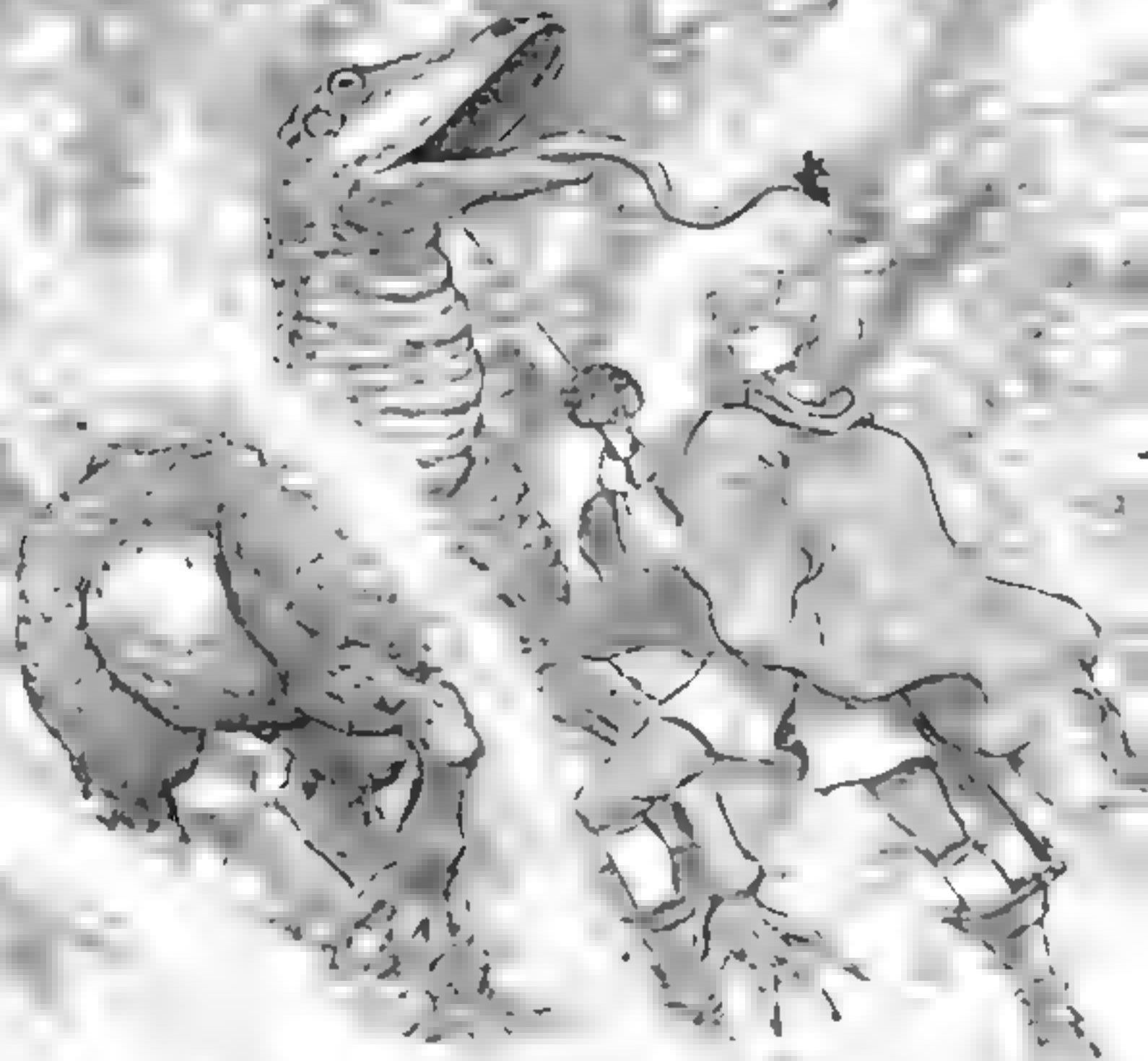
I  
RESEARCH  
SPIRITS  
THIS.



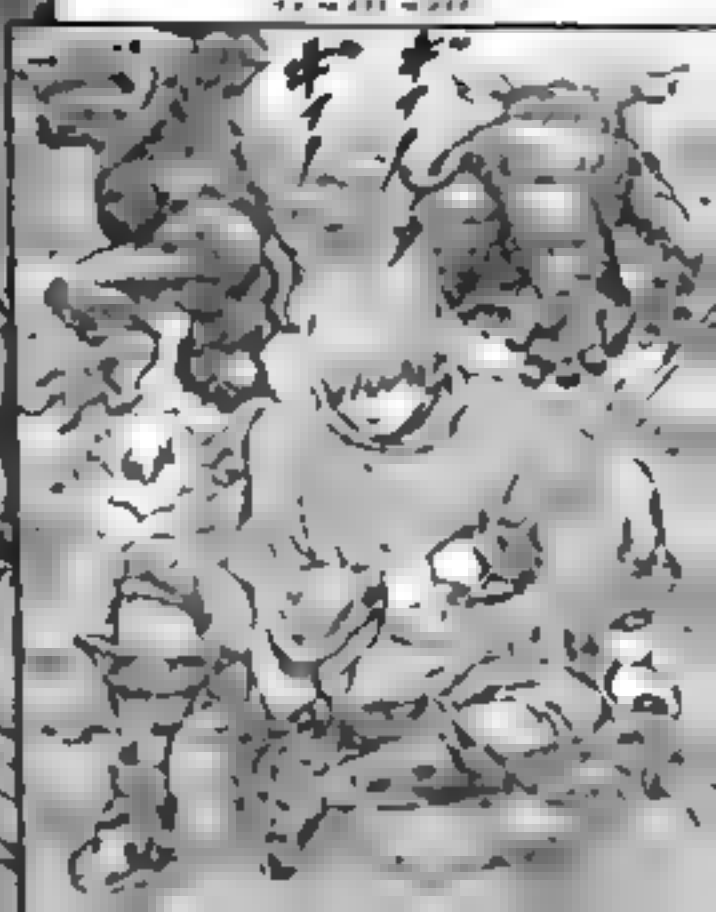
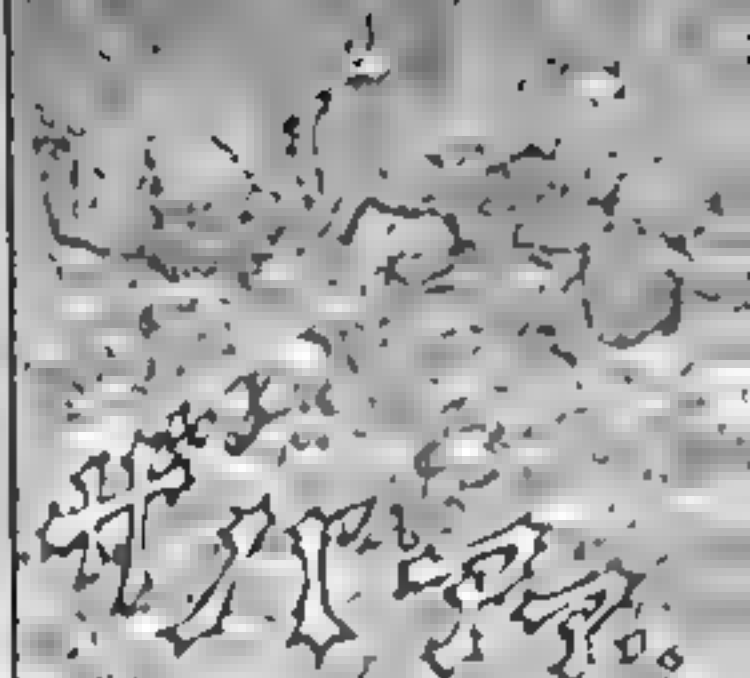
THE WIND  
IS CAPABLE  
OF MORE  
THAN  
SLASHING  
GRASS.

BUT NOW  
I UNDER-  
STAND.













大

口口

口口口

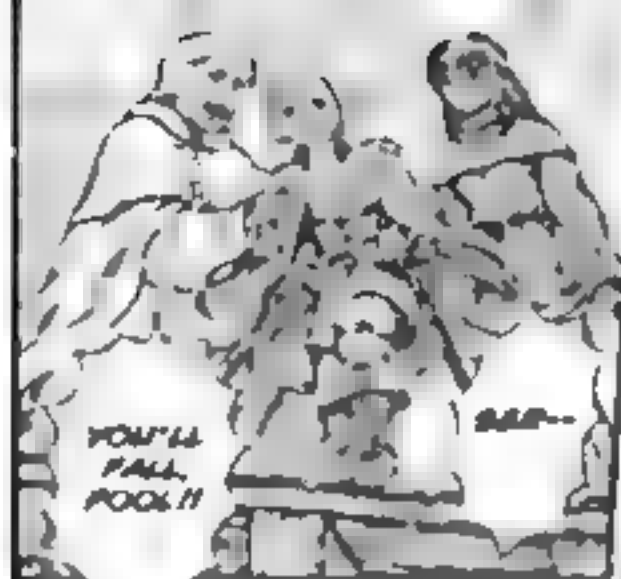
I HAVE  
CAPTURED  
IT

半

ON  
CLAY  
MOUNTAIN  
BY

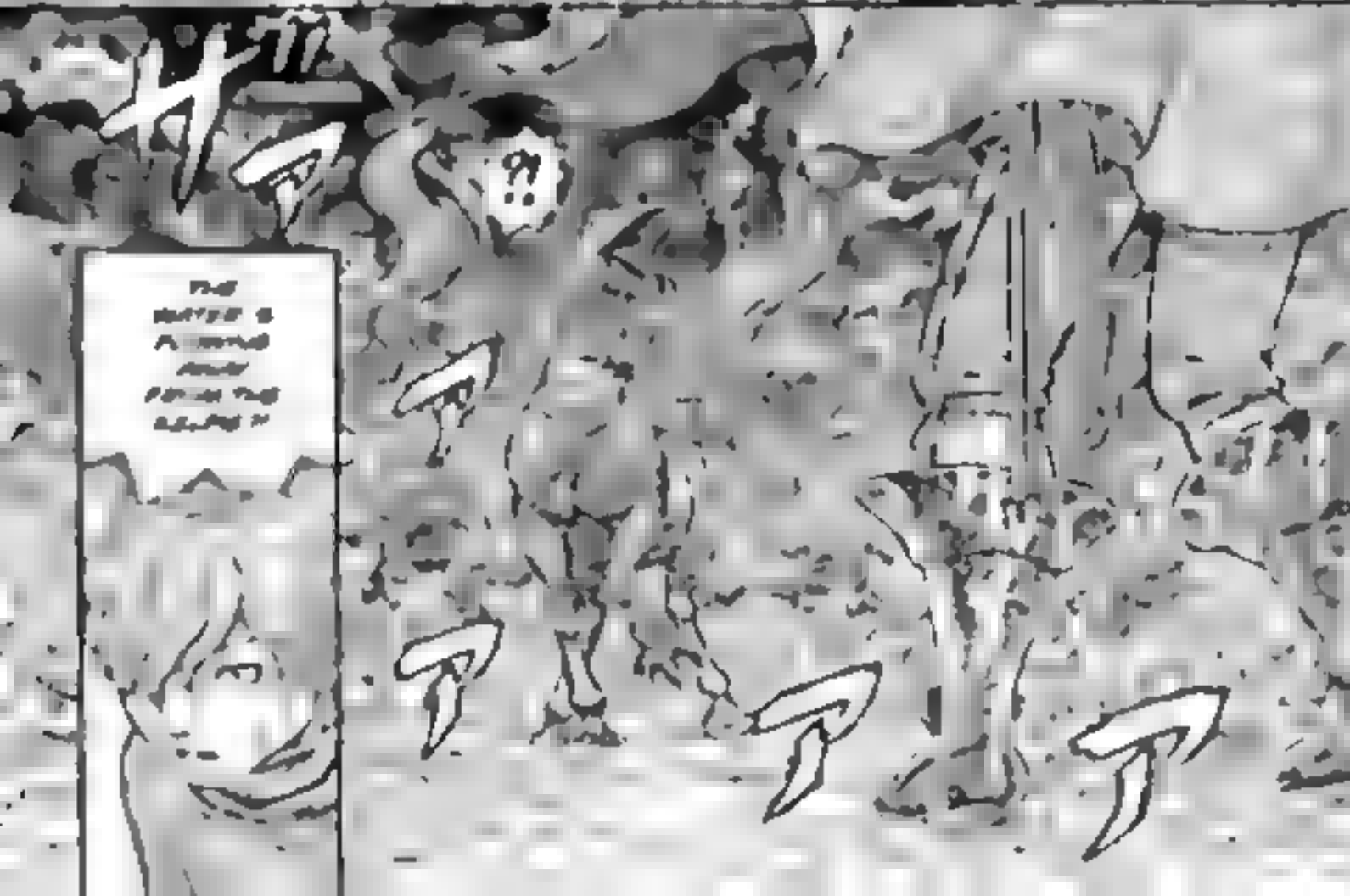
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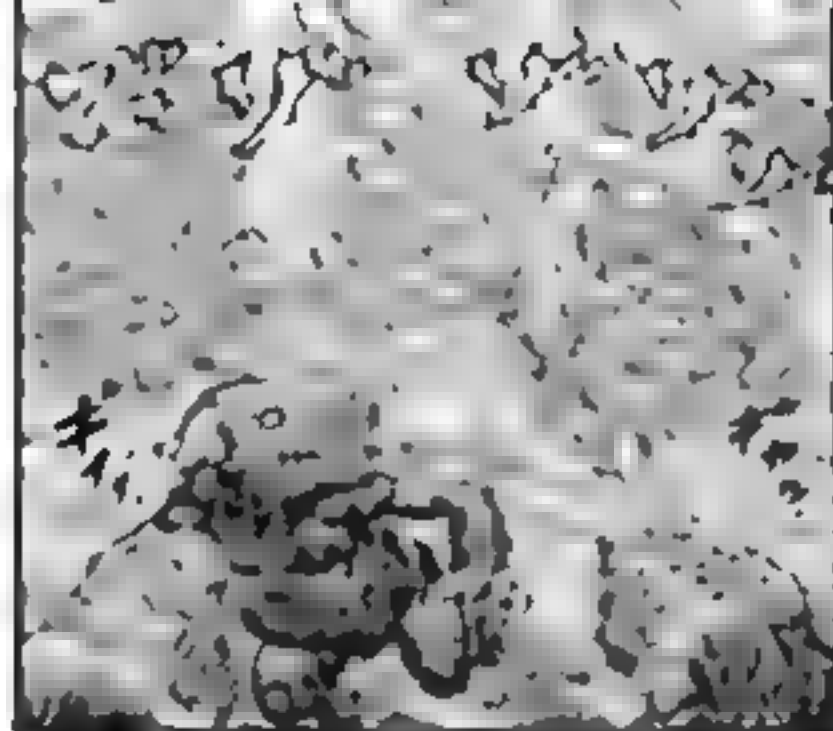


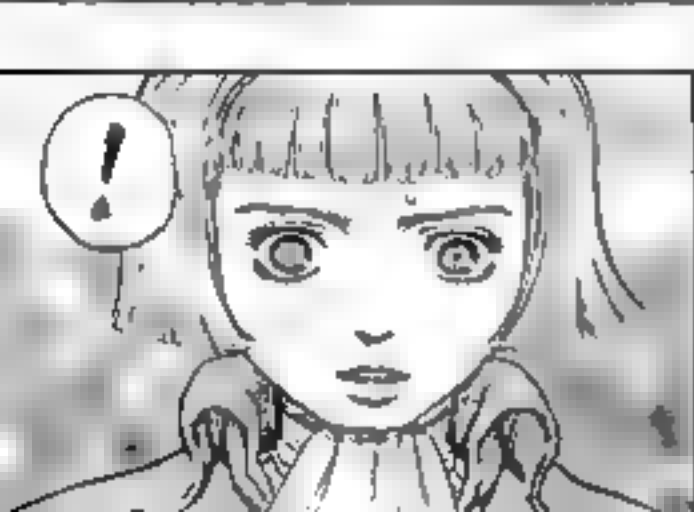
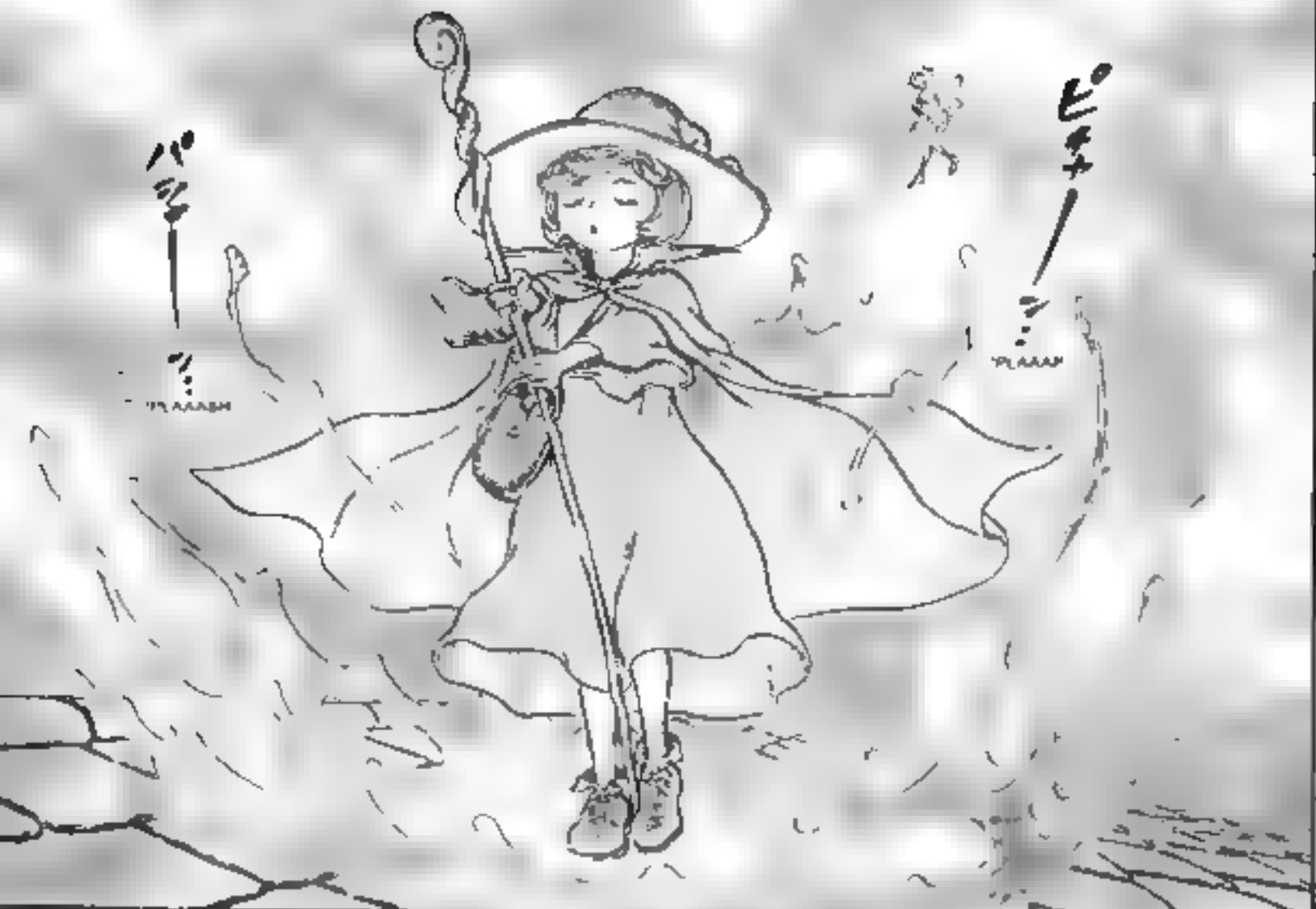
YOU'LL  
FALL  
POOR!!





THE  
MOTHER IS  
A WOMAN  
FROM THE  
SOUTH IS





WHAT'S  
THAT...??



WH-  
WHAT  
??



WHAT  
ARE WE  
SEEING??



RIGHT NOW  
SCHIERKE'S  
BECOME ONE  
WITH THE SPIRIT  
IT'S CALLED  
POSSESSION  
OR SOMETHIN'

THAT'S A  
WATER  
SPIRIT.





AN  
ANGEL  
..??

WHAT'S  
THAT ..??

HEY  
..!!



IN  
ACCORDANCE  
WITH THE  
ANCIENT OATH  
DO I CLEANSSE  
THIS LAND OF  
THE EVIL SPIRITS  
THAT WOULD  
STAIN IT

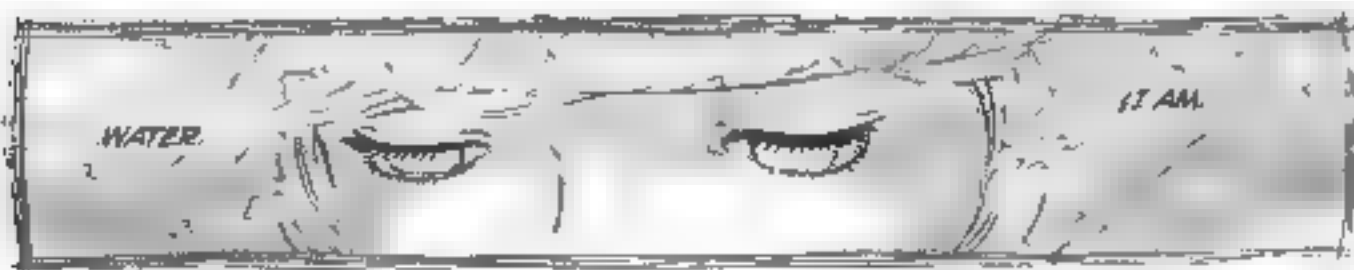
I AM OF THE  
WATER KIN,  
THE SPIRIT OF  
THE RILL THAT  
DOTH FLOW  
THROUGH  
THIS LAND.



WITH A  
RAGING TORRENT,  
WASH AWAY  
INTO THE DARK  
DEPTHS OF THE  
NETHERWORLD  
THE WICKED  
SPIRITS THAT  
FILL THIS  
LAND

IN THE  
NAME OF THE  
LADY OF  
THE DEPTHS,  
I COMMAND  
THE  
LORDNES.





THE  
WATER.

IN AND OF  
ITSELF.

THAT WHICH  
GATHERS  
AND FLOWS  
THROUGH  
THIS RILL.





GATHER...

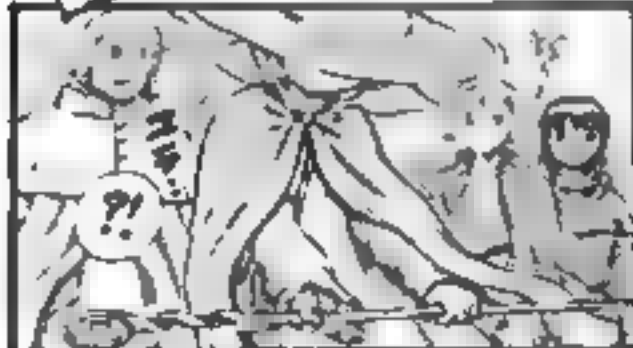
MY  
KINDRED

...  
GATHER  
...

...  
SWELL  
...

...SURGE...

...AND  
FLOW.



!



AND  
COMING  
THIS  
MARCH

THE OVER-  
FLOWING

THE OVER-  
FLOWING

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**THIS IS  
MAGIC!!**



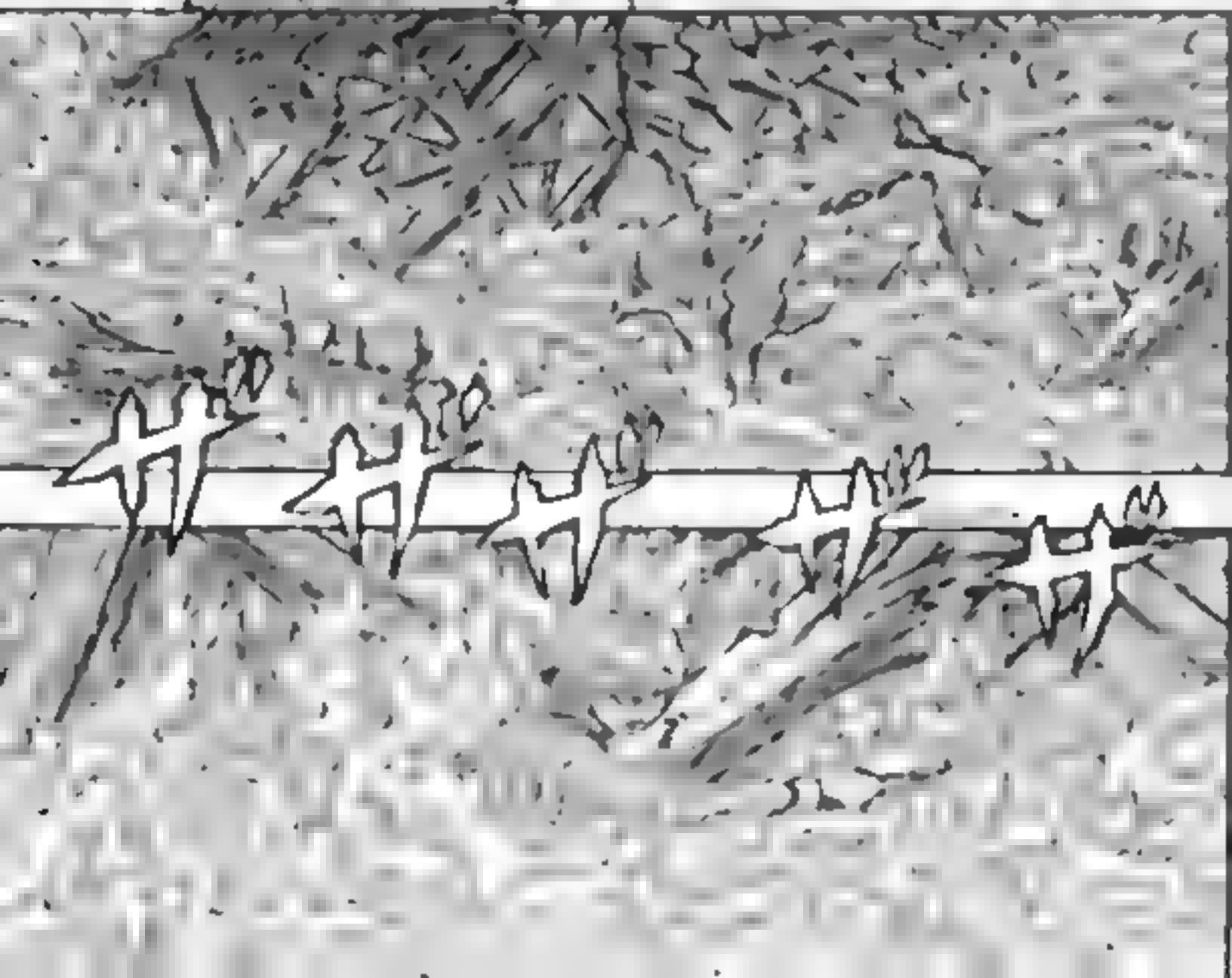
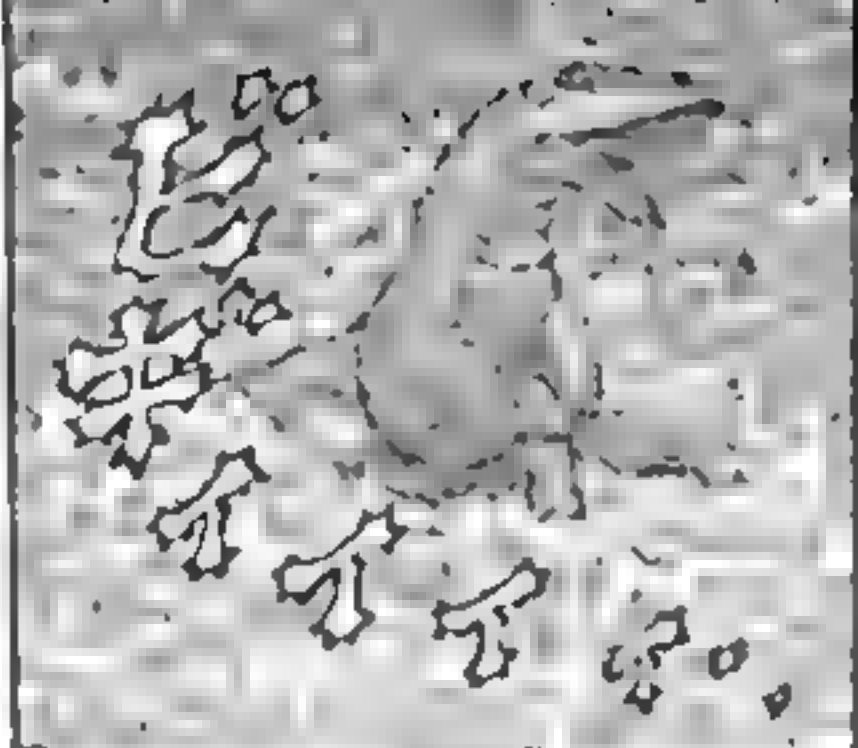
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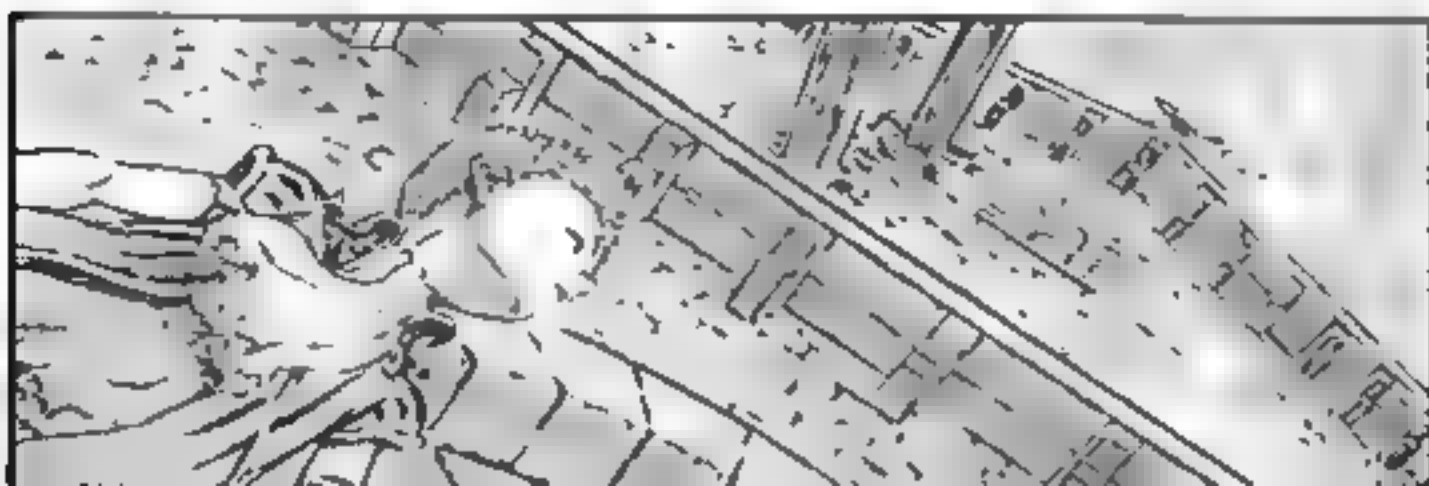
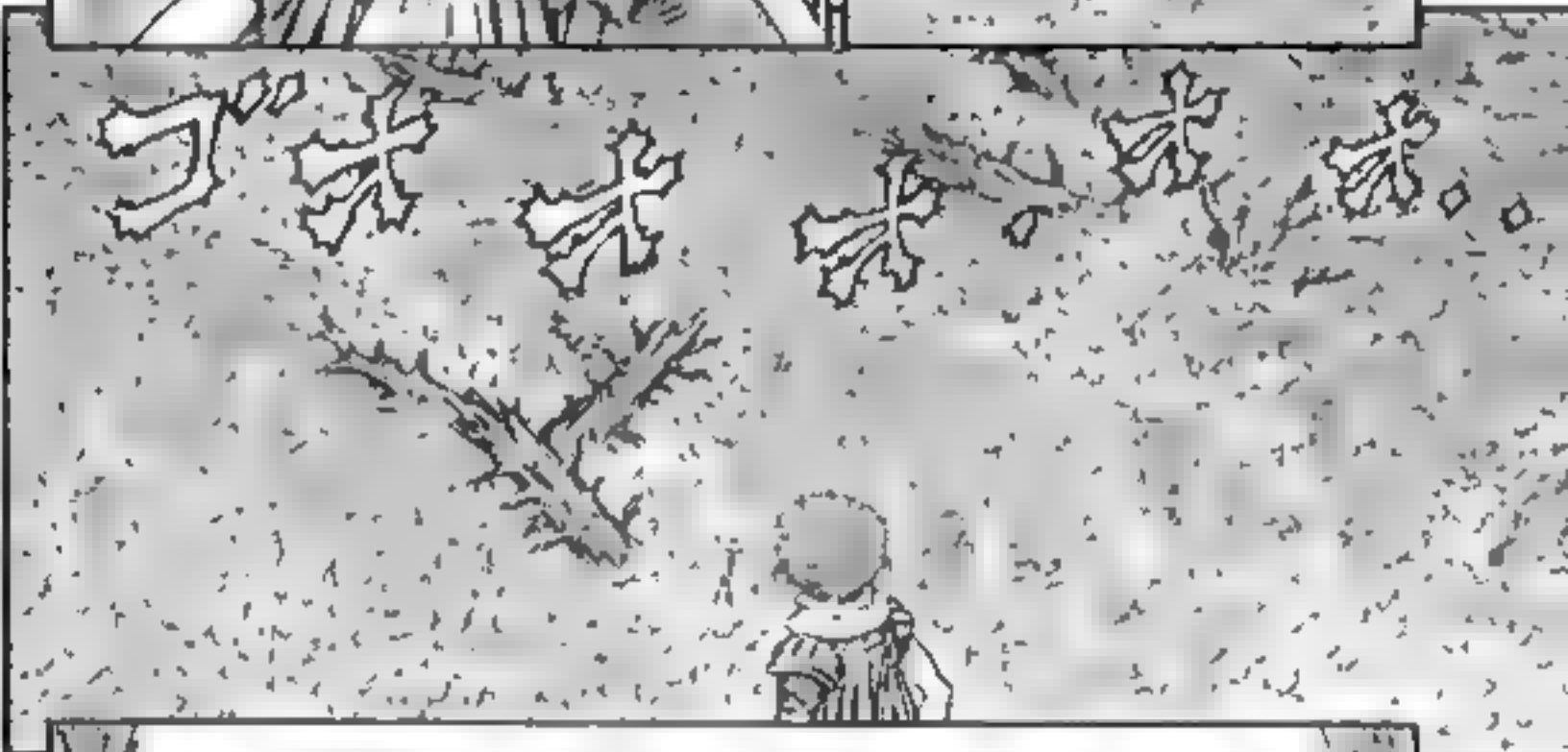
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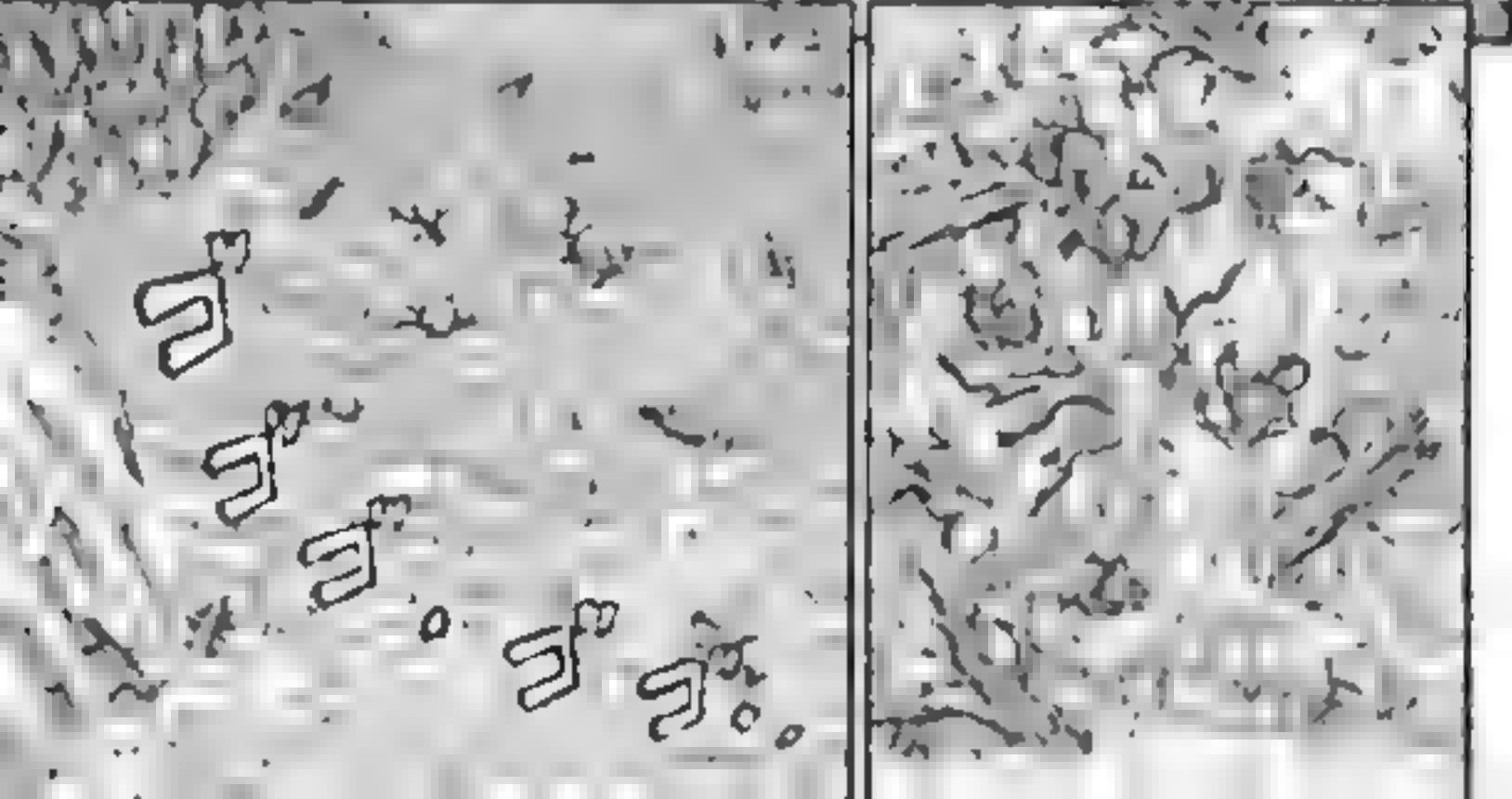
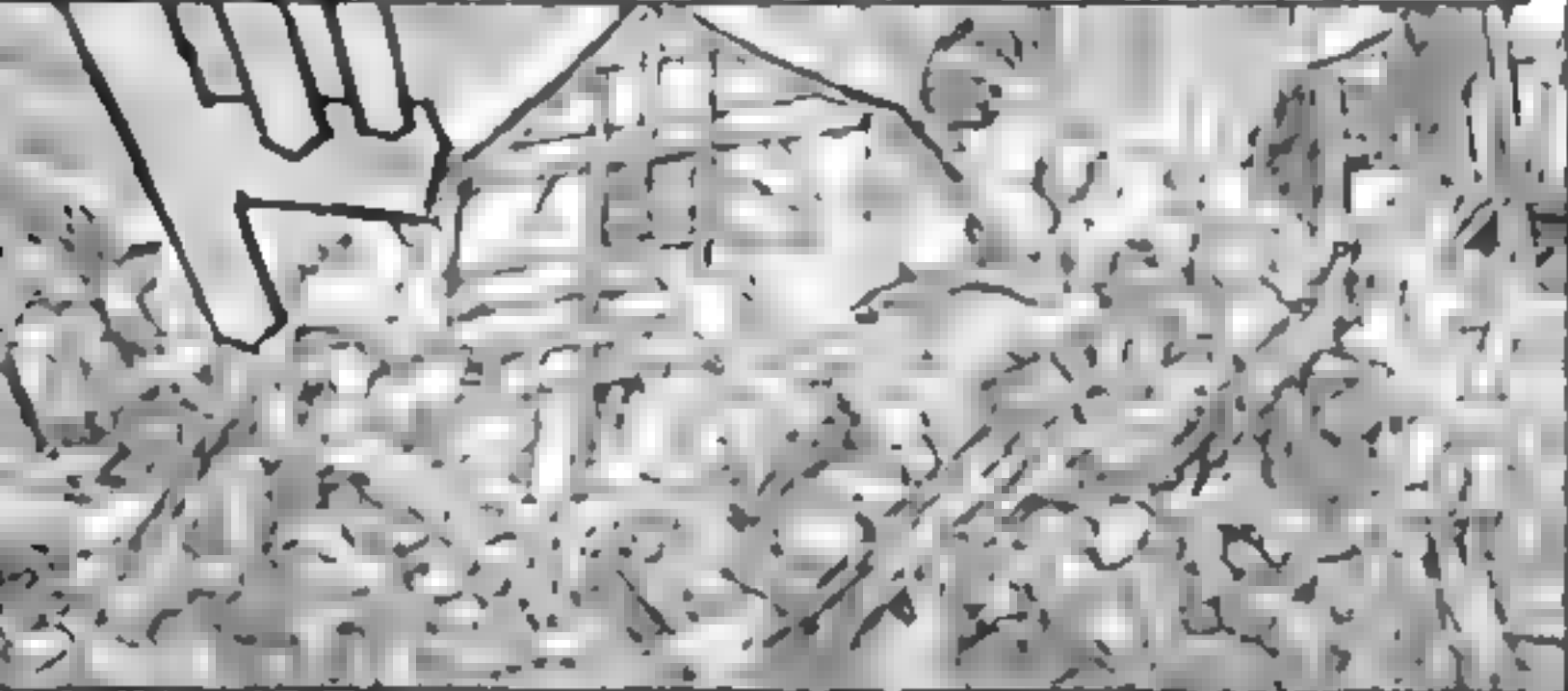




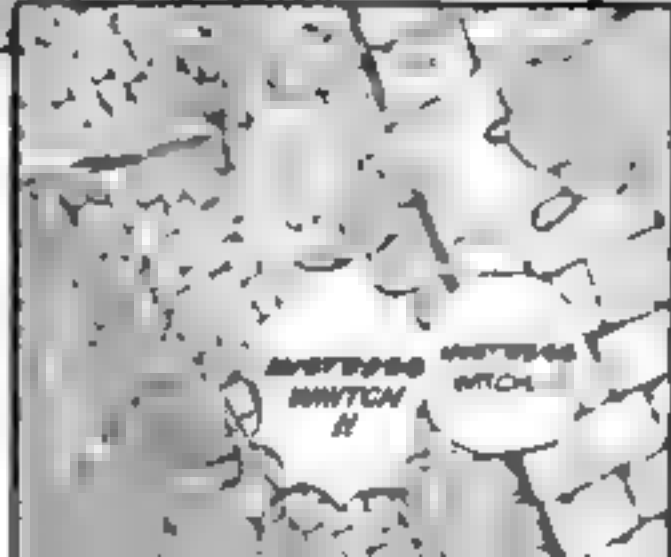
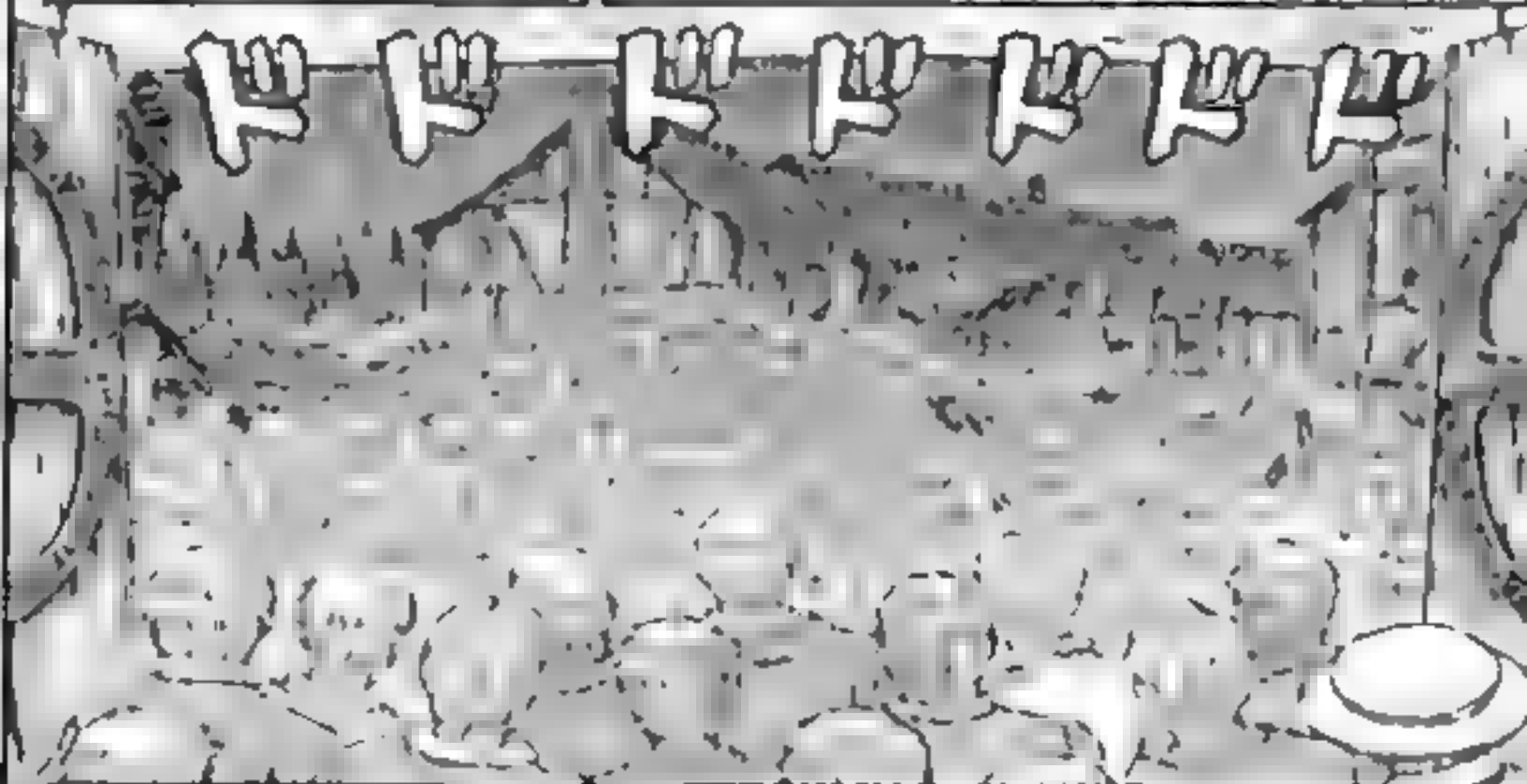
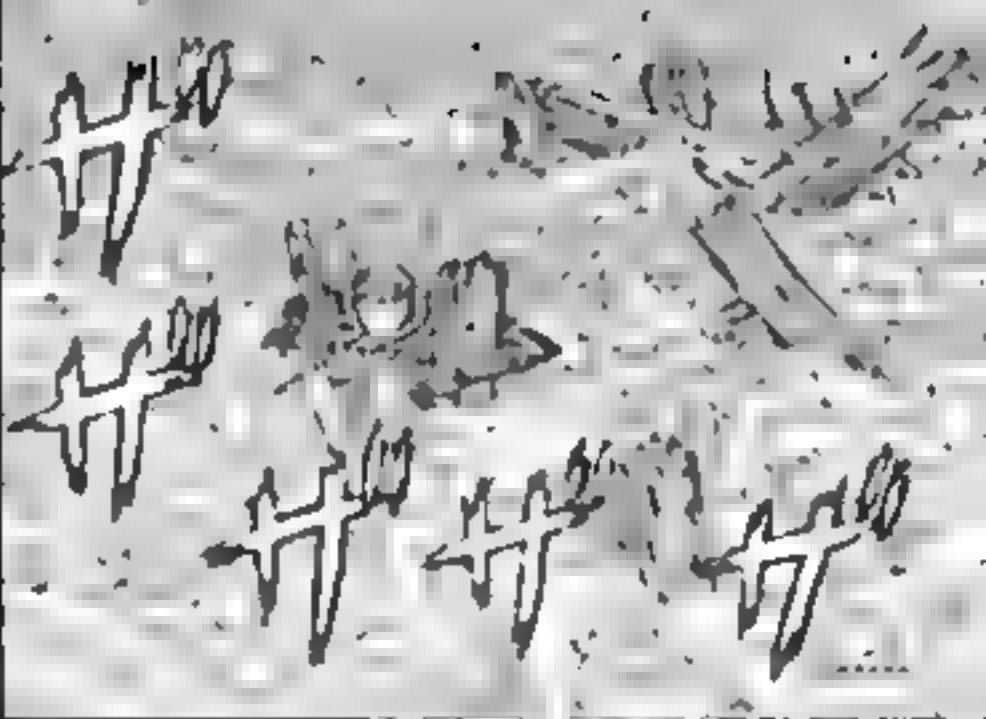
SHAMAN

シャーマン

BERSERK











...!!



\*FX RORRRRR

\*FX DDDDDDBH





LOOKS  
LIKE YOU  
GOT 'EM  
ALL.

SCHIERKE,  
THAT'S  
ENOUGH.



WHAT IS  
WRONG  
?



NOT  
GOOD

OH OH

HEY

SCHIERKE?

WHAT?



LITTLE  
PROBLEM.  
MAYBE.

WE'VE  
GOT A...



WHAT  
WILL  
HAP-  
PEN?

AT  
THIS  
RATE

THIS IS BAD.  
HER ALIGNMENT  
WITH THE  
WATER SPIRIT IS  
TOO STRONG,  
SHE'S BECOME  
MESMERIZED.



? PROB-



WHAT?



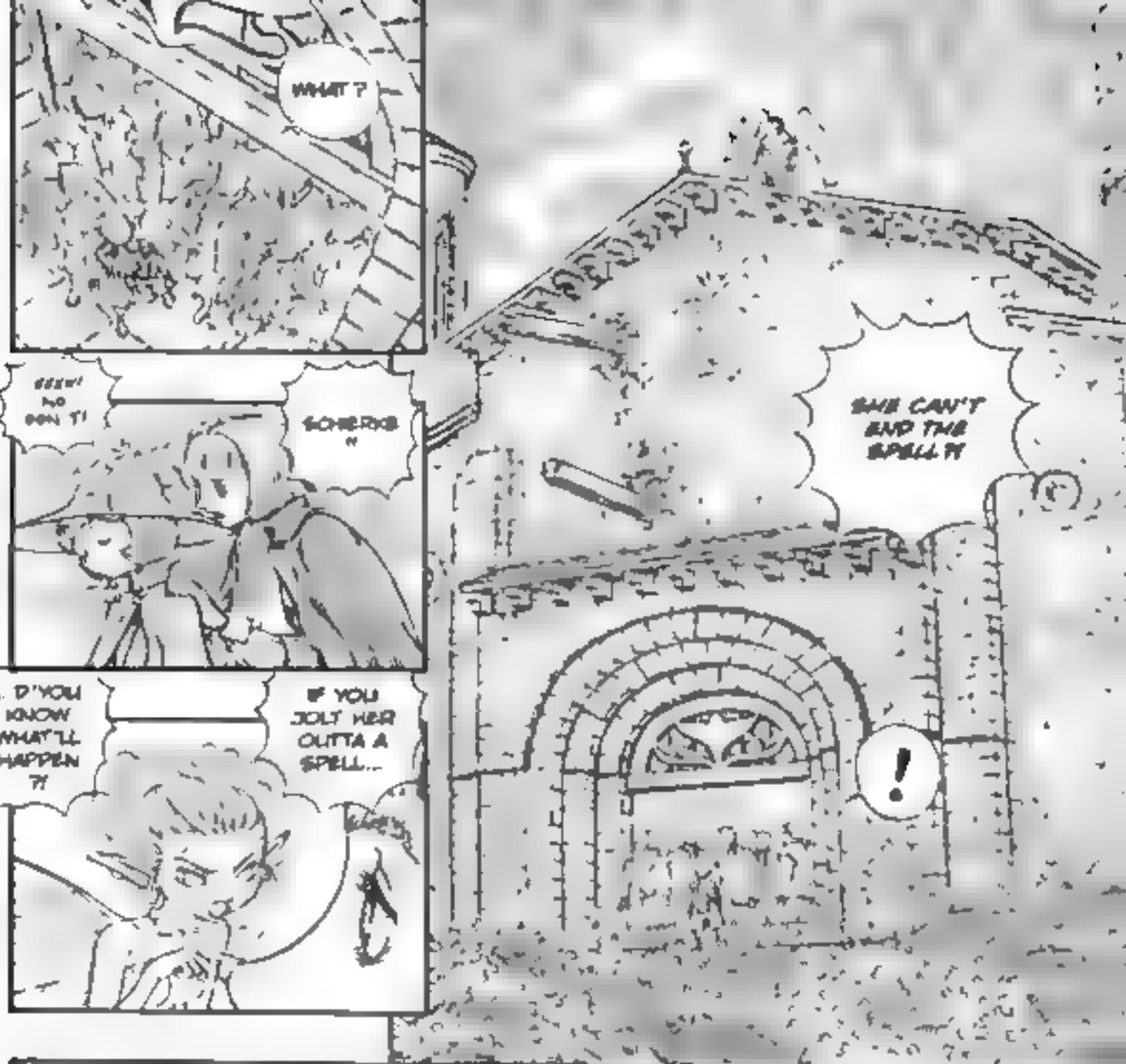
SEE!  
NO  
DON'T!

SCHERIE'S



D'YOU  
KNOW  
WHAT'LL  
HAPPEN  
??

IF YOU  
JOLT HER  
OUTTA A  
SPELL...



SHE CAN'T  
END THE  
SPELL !!

!



YEP.

SCHERIE'S  
IN THE  
ASTRAL  
WORLD  
RIGHT  
NOW.

JOLT  
HER  
OUT?

IF SHE WERE  
TO BE WOKEN  
BEFORE HER MIND  
RETURNS, IT'D  
AFFECT HER BODY,  
TOO... IF WE'RE  
NOT CAREFUL,  
IT MIGHT NOT  
RETURN AND THEN  
SHE'D BE AN  
INVALID!!

SHE'S BECOME  
ONE WITH THAT  
WATER SPIRIT  
YOU SAW AND  
NO DOUBT  
MERGED INTO  
THIS FLOW!!

OH!  
OH YEAH!  
THIS!

TAP THIS  
WAND IN  
THIS!

I'M  
PRETTY  
SLIPP.  
WHEN  
THIS  
HAPPENS

THEN  
WHAT  
SHOULD  
WE  
DO?

THE  
RHYTHM'S  
7-7-7  
TIME!  
SEVEN  
THREE  
TIMES.

...OR  
THAT'S  
WHAT  
FLORA  
SAID.

DID THE WAND  
AT A SET RHYTHM  
TO CAUSE THE  
CASTER'S CON-  
SCIOUSNESS TO  
FOCUS ON THIS  
WORLD.

**SURGE.**

**FLY-  
OVERLY.**

**FLOW.**

**ANGER  
?**

**JOY?**

**INTENSE  
WELLING  
EMOTIONS.**

**IND-  
PRESSIBLE  
RETTAT-  
ING IN HUMAN  
WORDS.**

**WASTE.**

**IN-  
TRANGE.**

**FORCE.**

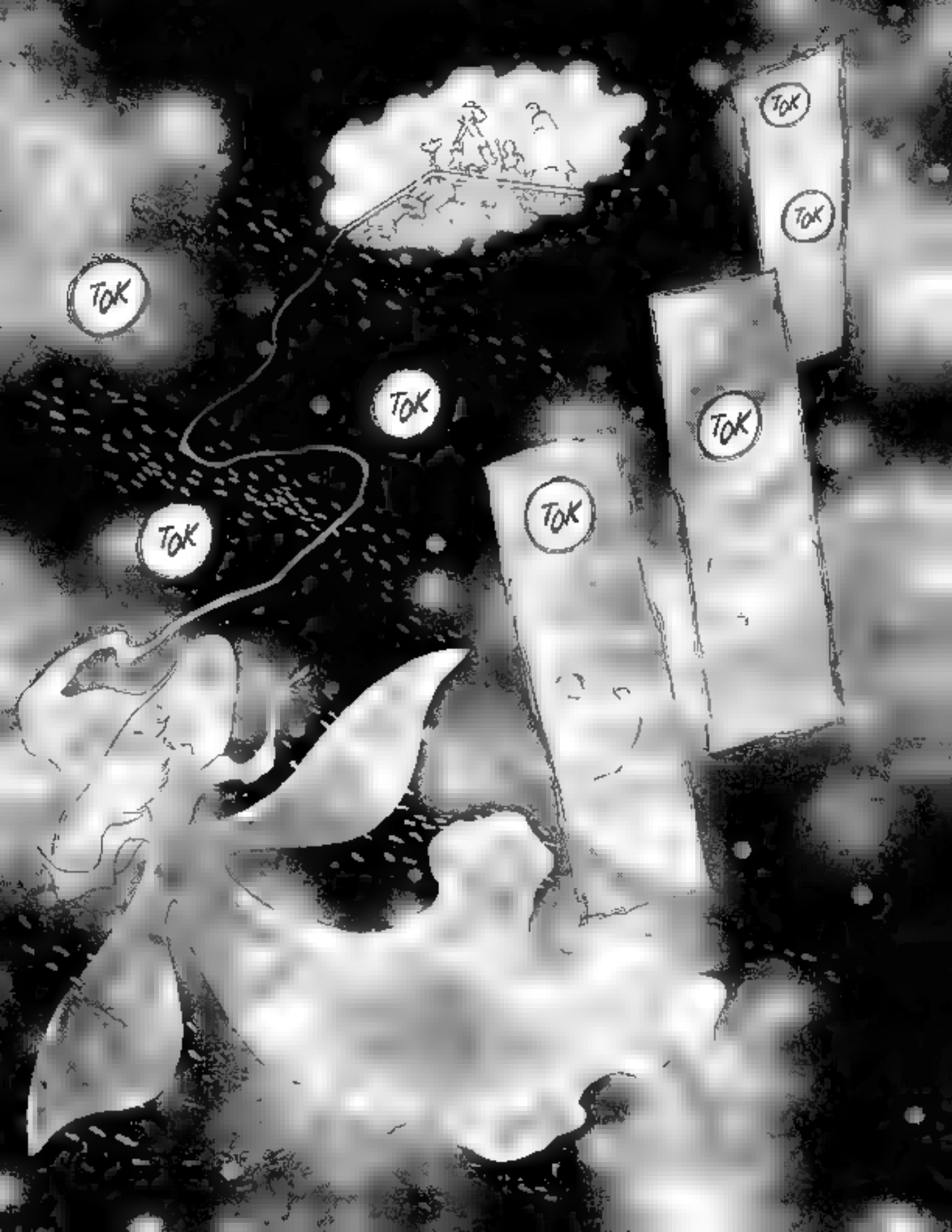
**ROAR.**

**I  
EGO  
SELF  
ALONE  
INDIVIDUAL**

**AM...**

**...CURRENT  
WATER  
RAPIDS  
STREAM  
RIVER...**





MAKING  
YOUR MIND  
ONE WITH A  
SPIRIT IS  
VERY IMPOR-  
TANT...

WHAT'S  
THIS?

TOK

LISTEN,  
SCHIBERKE

TOK

SOUND

TOK

...BUT YOU  
MUSTN'T  
BE  
ENGULFED  
BY IT.

YOU MUST  
RETAIN  
YOUR OWN  
CONSCIOUS-  
NESS.

FOR THIS  
REASON,  
A MAGIC USER  
SOUNDS HER  
WAND DURING  
A SPELL.

TOK

TOK

...IS  
NEVER TO  
BECOME ONE  
WITH SUCH  
A FORCE.

DON'T  
FORGET...

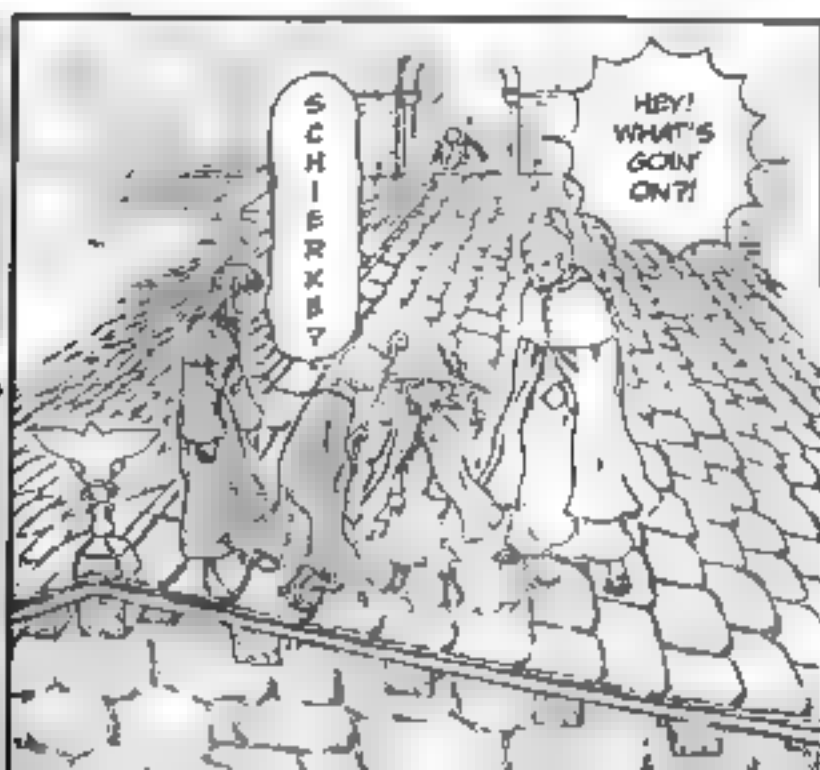
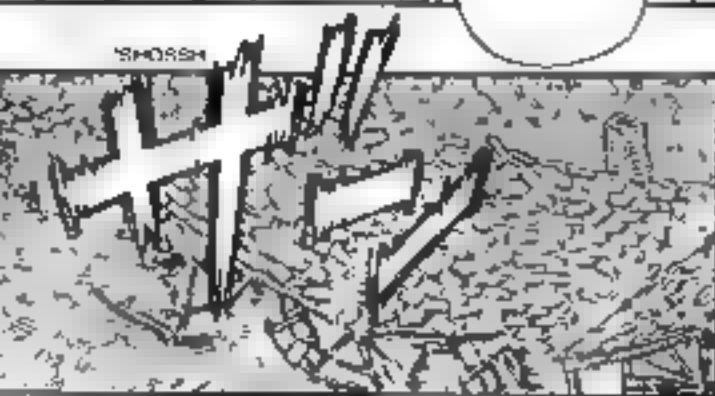
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MAGIC...

THE WAY  
OF MAGIC...

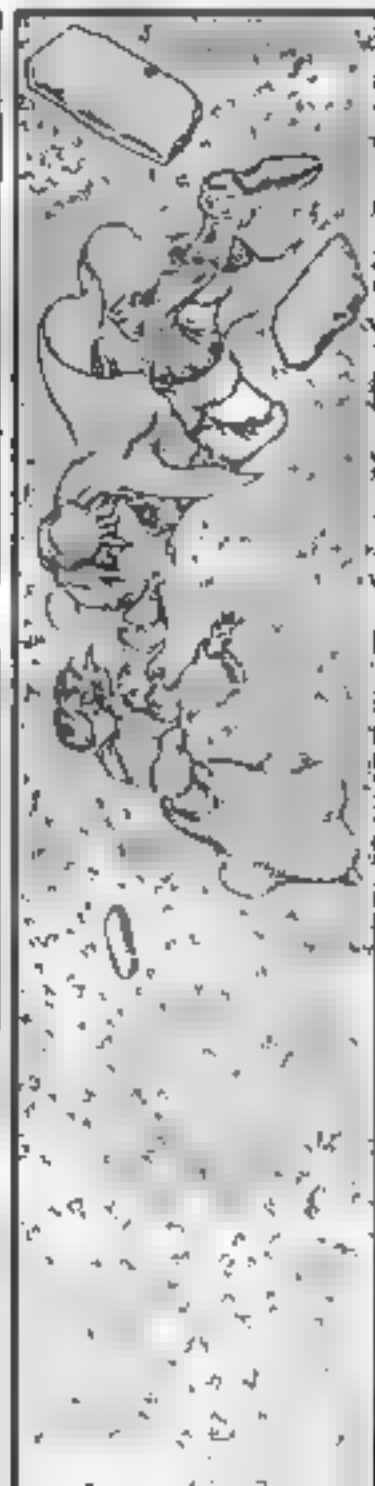
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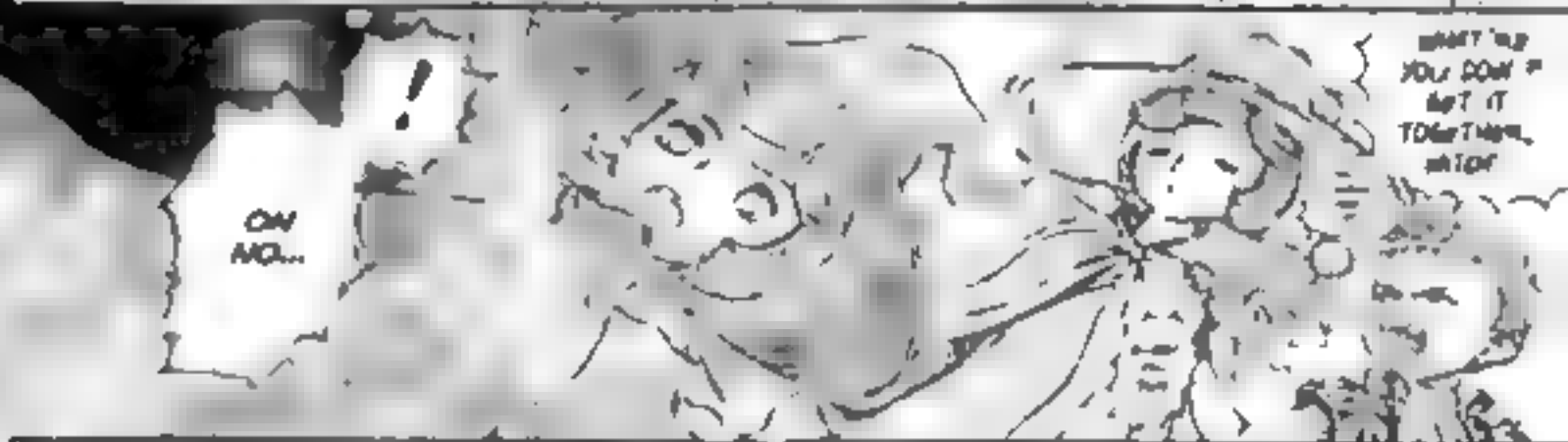
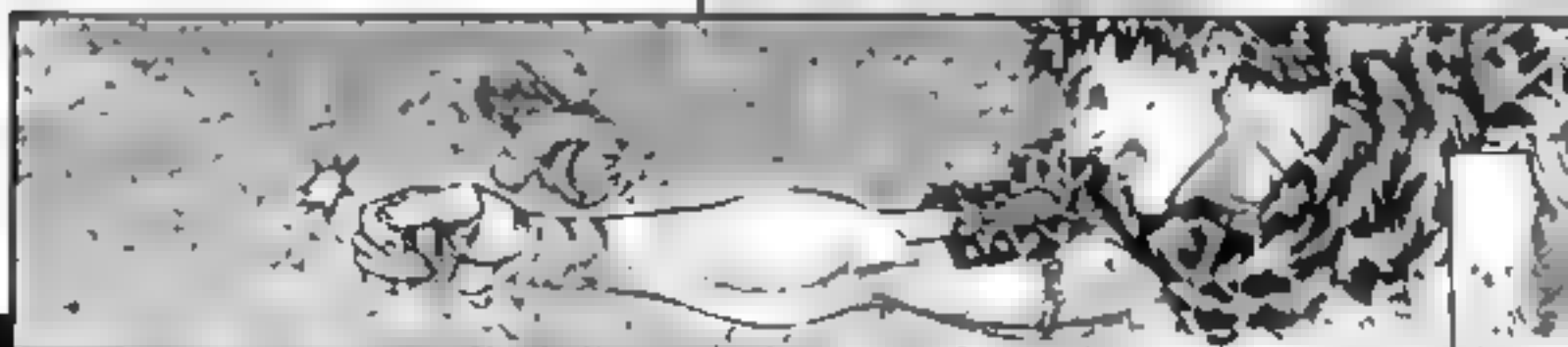
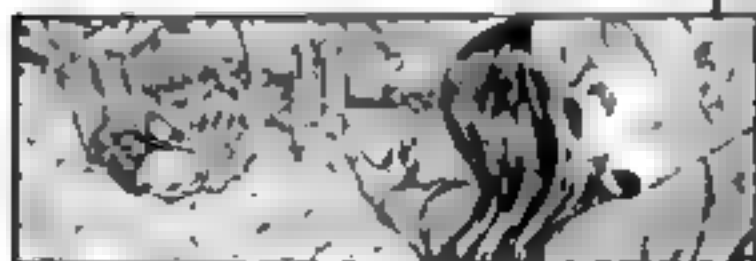
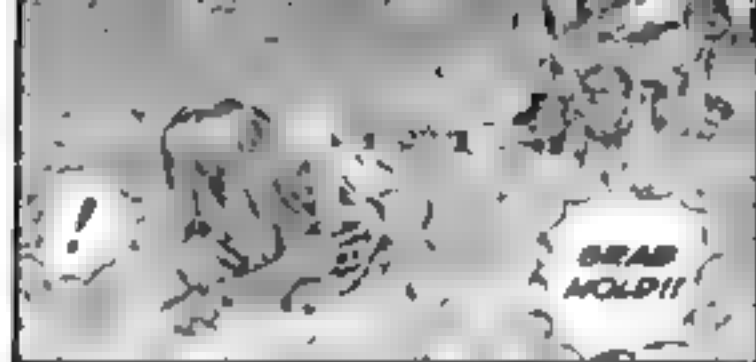
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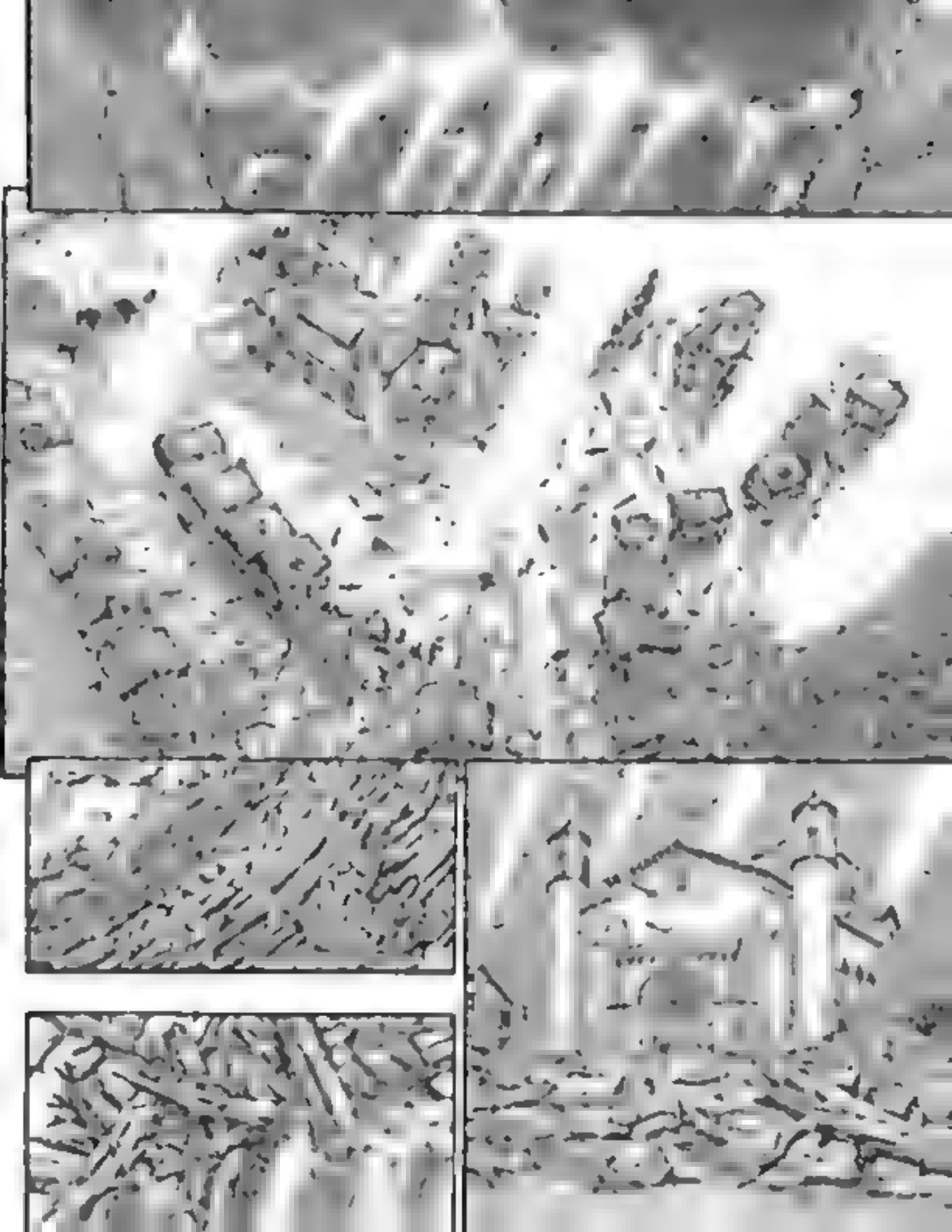


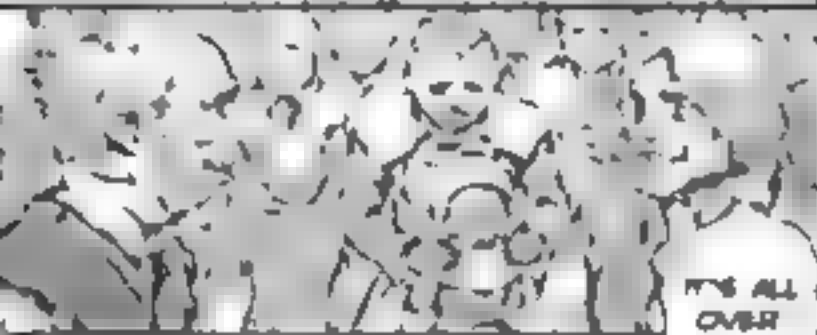




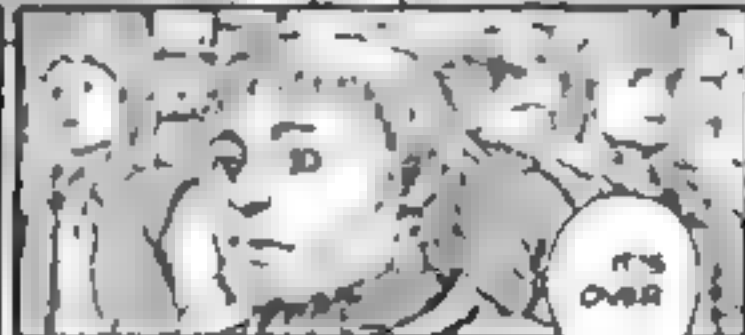




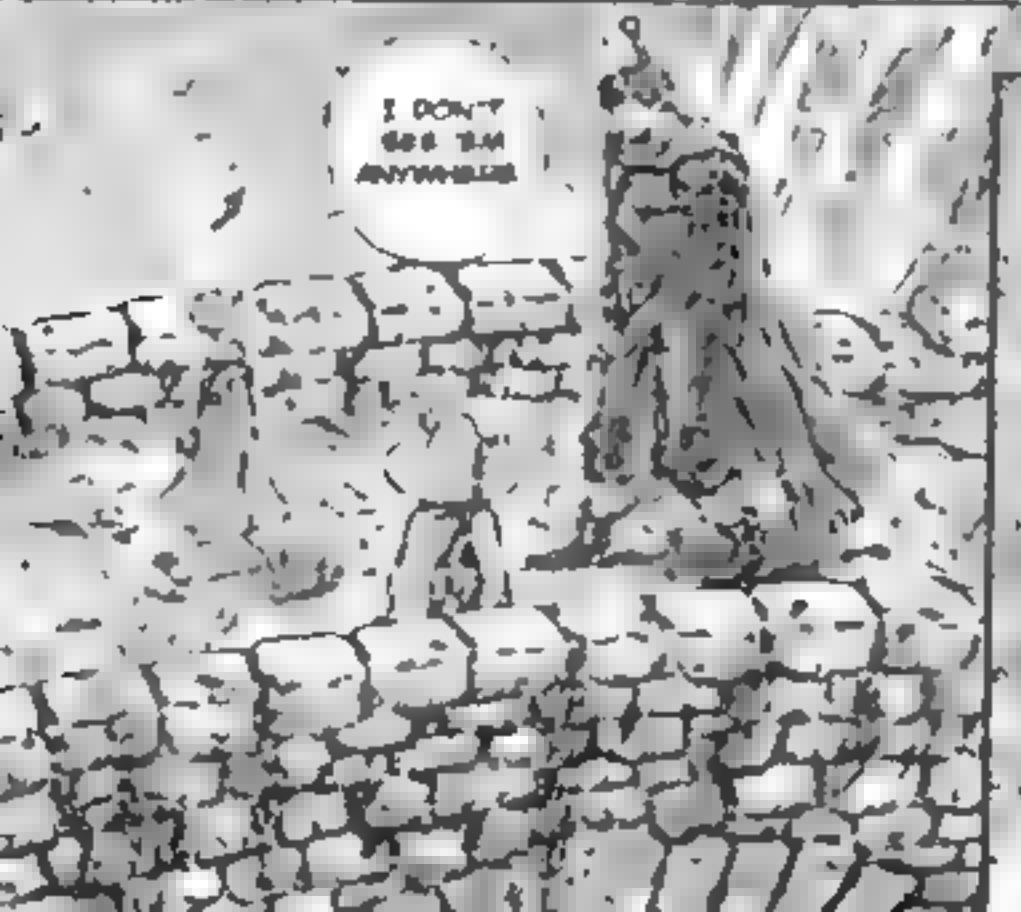
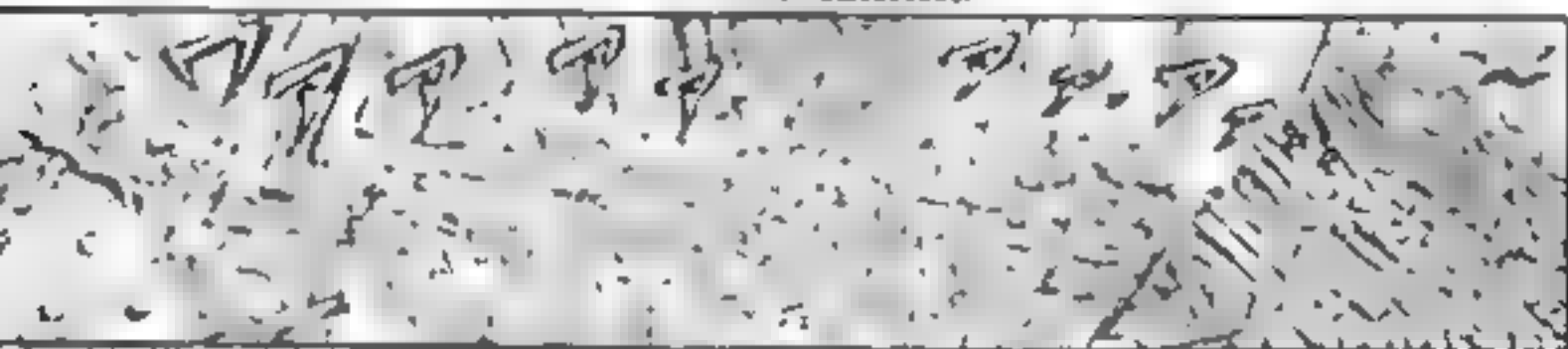




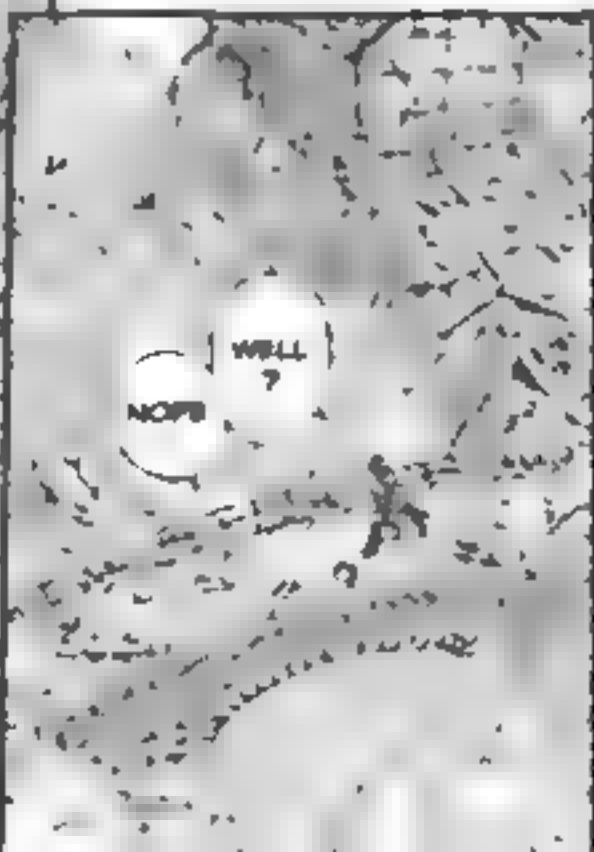
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OVER



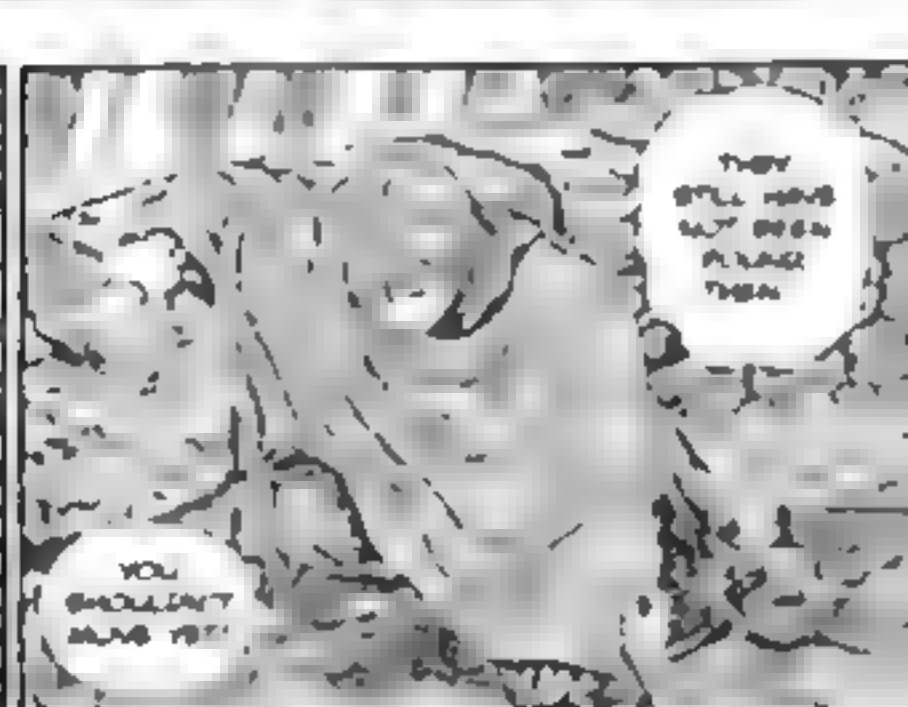
IT'S  
OVER



I DON'T  
SEE HIM  
ANYWHERE



WELL  
NOPE



BECAUSE I  
ABANDONED  
MYSELF TO  
A FORCE





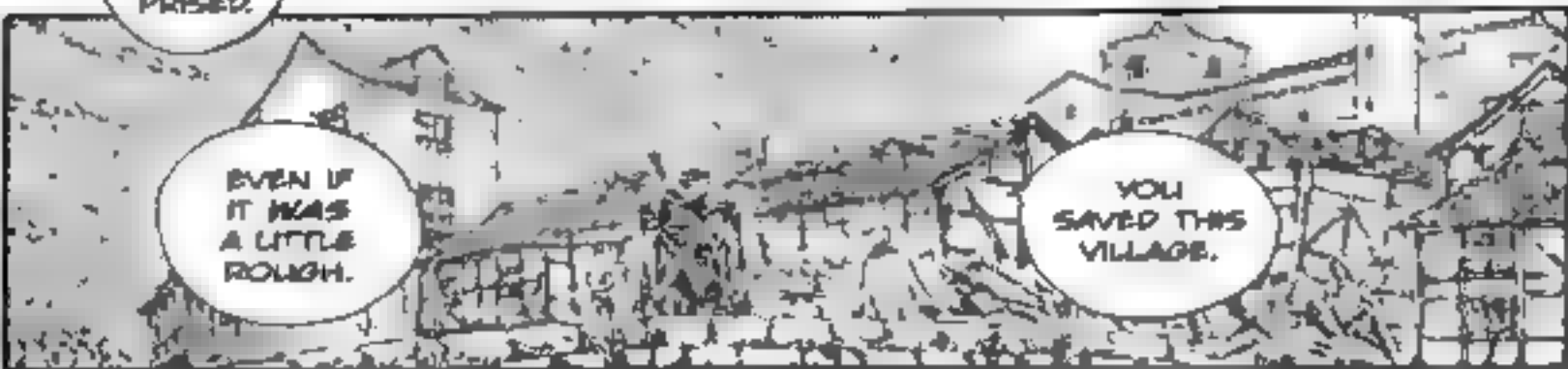
... YOU  
WON'T BE  
ABLE TO DO  
WHAT YOU  
NORMALLY  
CAN.

YOU'RE  
THAT  
TENSE...



HONESTLY,  
I WAS  
SUR-  
PRISED.

YOU DID  
A GOOD  
JOB.



EVEN IF  
IT WAS  
A LITTLE  
ROUGH.

YOU  
SAVED THIS  
VILLAGE.



WE'RE  
MUCH  
BETTER  
THAN THAT  
DUMBASS  
DUO.

NOBODY  
BLAMES  
YOU FOR  
ANYTHING.



WE'RE  
AT YOUR  
SERVICE

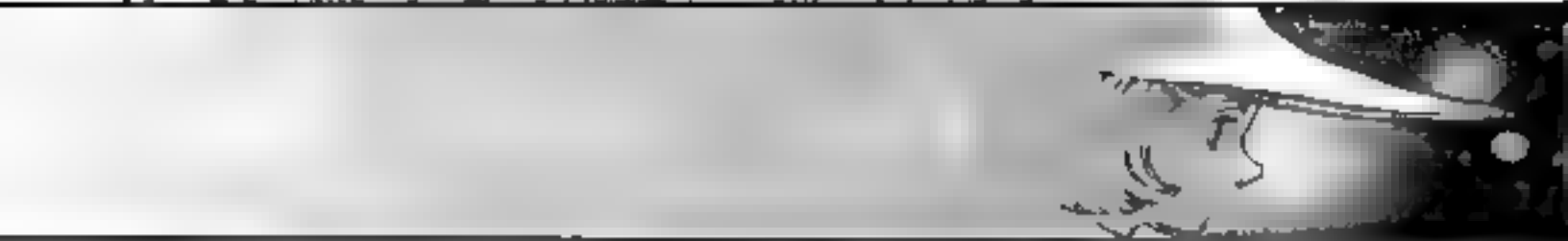
THAT  
BEING  
SAID...

MISS  
WITCH

YOU CAN'T  
BE QUITE  
SO BOLDLY  
FRANK

I  
WANT  
TO  
KNOW  
WHAT  
YOU  
WANT

YA HEE HEE



THEY  
ARE BOTH  
UNHARMED!

REALLY  
?!

I  
SENSE  
THEIR  
OD!

I-I  
FOUND  
THEM!



WHAT'S  
WRONG  
?

BUT  
WHAT'S  
THIS...?

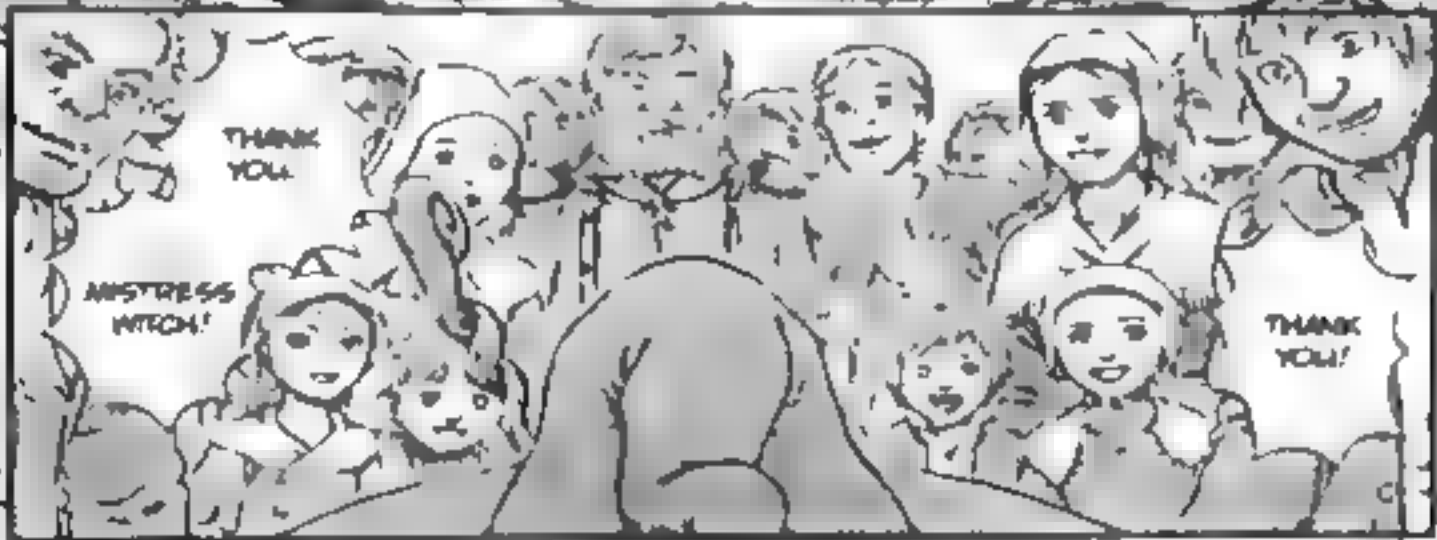
?!








OLIPHANT  
(クニナキ)





I BORROWED  
THE POWERS  
OF ANGELS  
AND SPIRITS.

COVERING  
THE CHURCH  
IN LIGHT,  
MAKING  
FLOODS

HEY!!  
HOW IN THE  
WORLD CAN  
YOU GET TO  
DO THOSE  
AMAZING  
THINGS?

WELL

...WERE THE FOUR  
ARCHANGELS IN  
YOUR SCRIPTURES  
THAT GUARD  
NORTH, SOUTH,  
EAST AND WEST

WHAT  
SAVED THE  
VILLAGE...

THE  
"LADY OF  
THE  
DEPTHS."

A RIVER  
SPIRIT  
CALLED...

AND ONE  
WHOSE SHRINE  
WAS ON THIS  
LAND EVEN  
BEFORE YOUR  
CHURCH.

THEM.

SEEMS LONG  
AGO THERE  
WAS A SHRINE  
TO THE RIVER  
GOD ON  
THIS HILL.

OH YES,  
I HEARD TALK  
OF HER FROM  
MY GREAT  
GRANDPA.

BUT IF  
SHE'S AN  
ANGEL...  
WE PRAY  
EVERY  
DAY

THE  
DEPTHS  
?  
I  
DON'T  
KNOW  
HER.

THUS YOUR  
VILLAGE SAW  
SO MUCH  
WATER  
DAMAGE...  
BECAUSE  
OF MY  
INEXPERI-  
ENCE.

BECAUSE  
SHE HAD BEEN  
FORGOTTEN  
FOR SO LONG  
AND WAS THEN  
SUDDENLY  
CALLED UPON,  
THE RIVER  
SPIRIT ACTED  
ROUGHLY.

SO WHAT?  
THEY WERE  
DUMPS  
ANYWAY.

THAT'S  
NOT THE  
WHOLE  
STORY.

THE FACT  
THAT WE'RE  
STILL ALIVE  
IS THANKS  
TO YOU.

HOUSES  
CAN BE  
REBUILT.

THAT'S  
NO  
CONCERN.

ALLOWED  
IT TO  
HAPPEN.

THE ANGER  
INSIDE ME  
TOWARD THE  
VILLAGERS...

TOLERANCE,  
TOO...

...IS  
GOD'S  
TEACHING.

FAIR  
ENOUGH.

...MIGHT  
YOU  
BUILD A  
SMALL  
SHRINE...

FATHER.

IF YOU  
COULD...

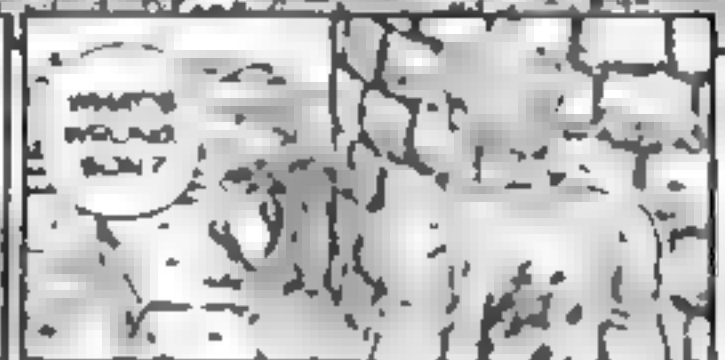
...TO THE  
RIVER  
SPIRIT  
IN THE  
WESTERN  
QUARTER  
OF THIS  
PLAZA?



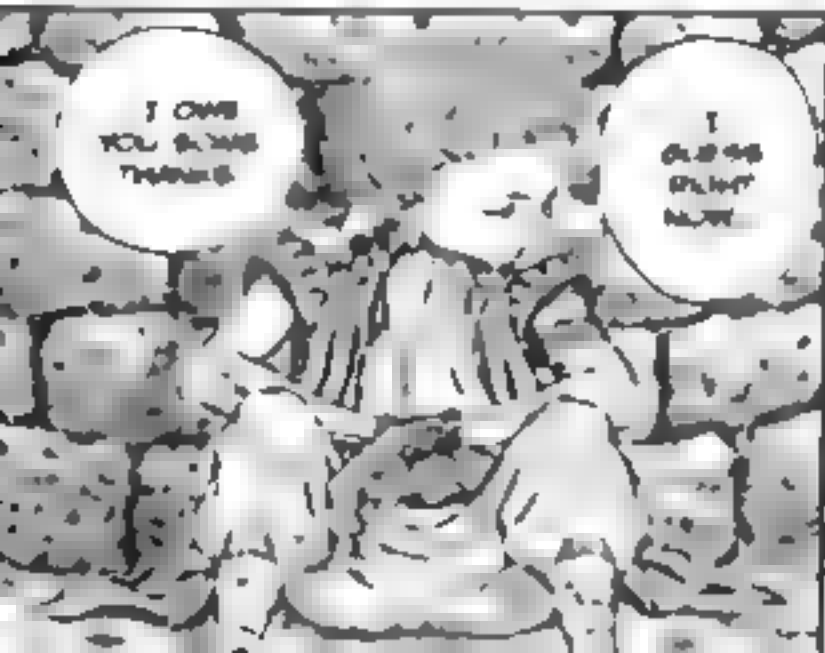


LEAVE  
ME  
ALONE

HEY



WHAT'S  
YOUR  
NAME?



I OWE  
YOU A BIG  
THANKS

I OWE  
YOU A BIG  
THANKS

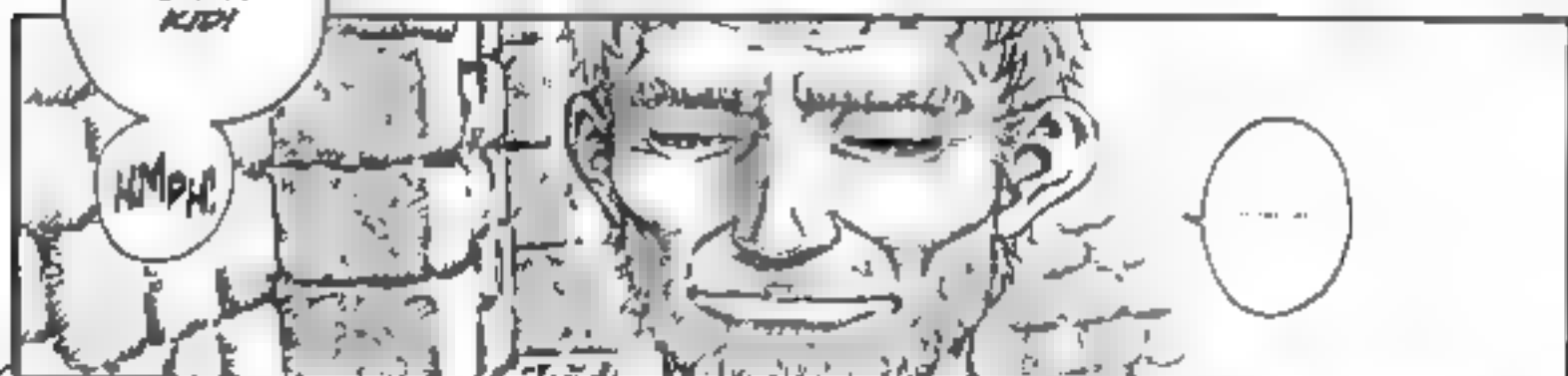
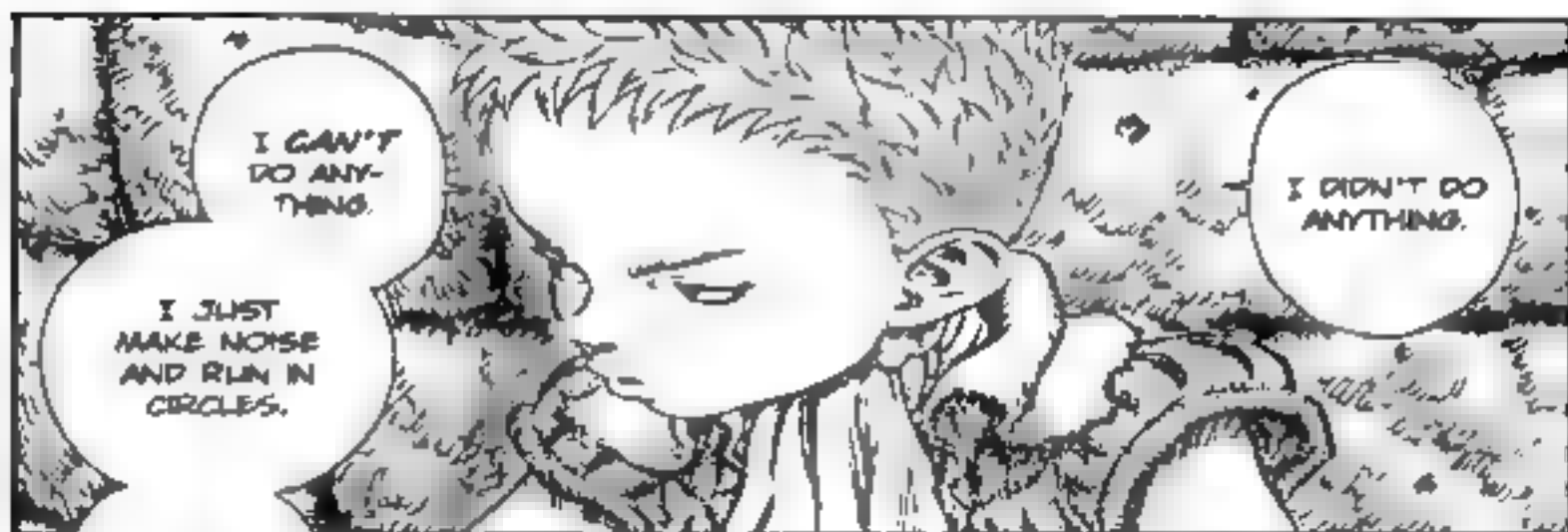
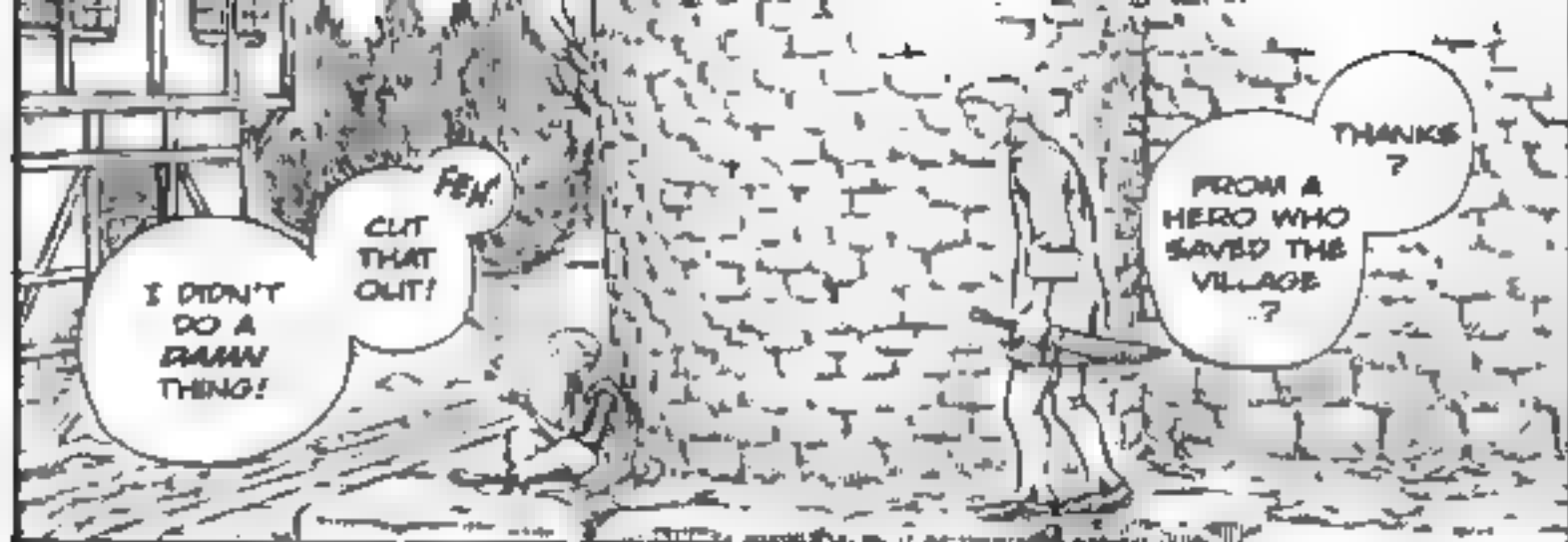


WALKING  
AND  
ALREADY

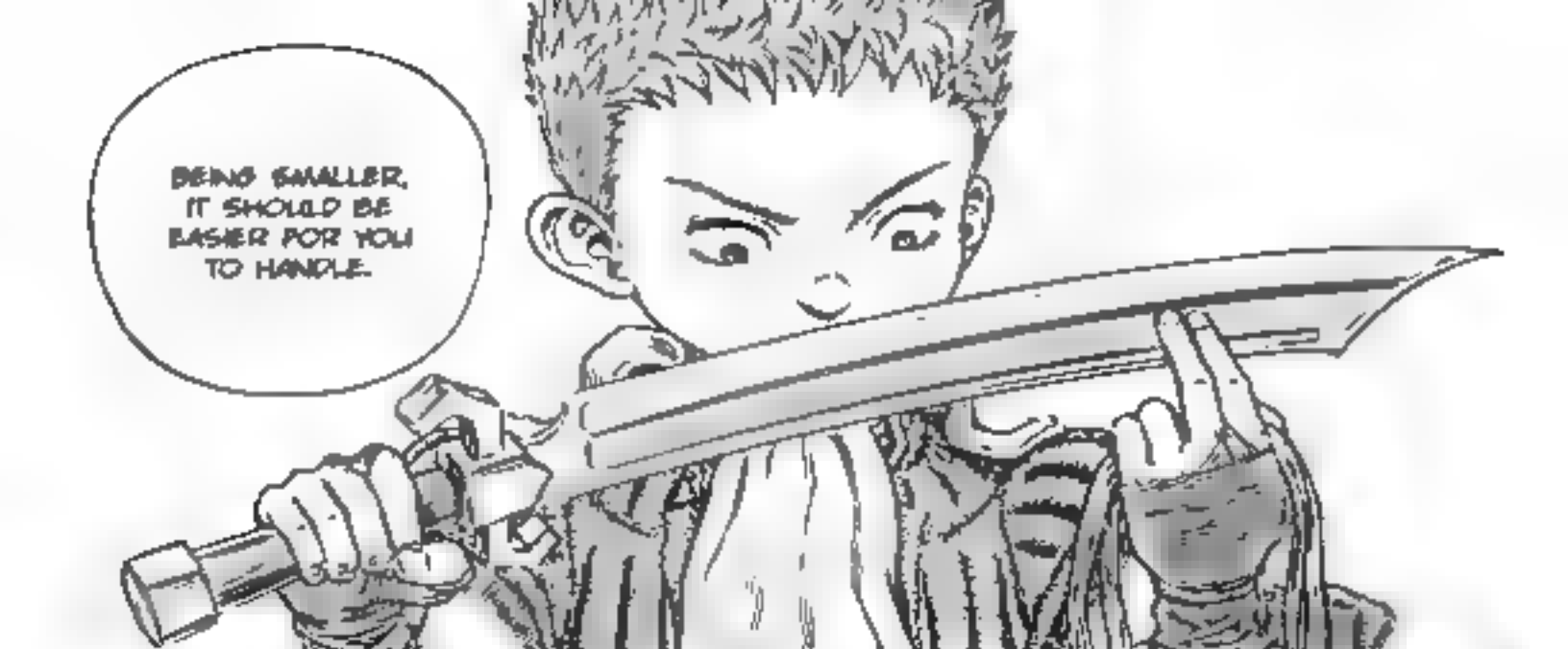
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ALREADY



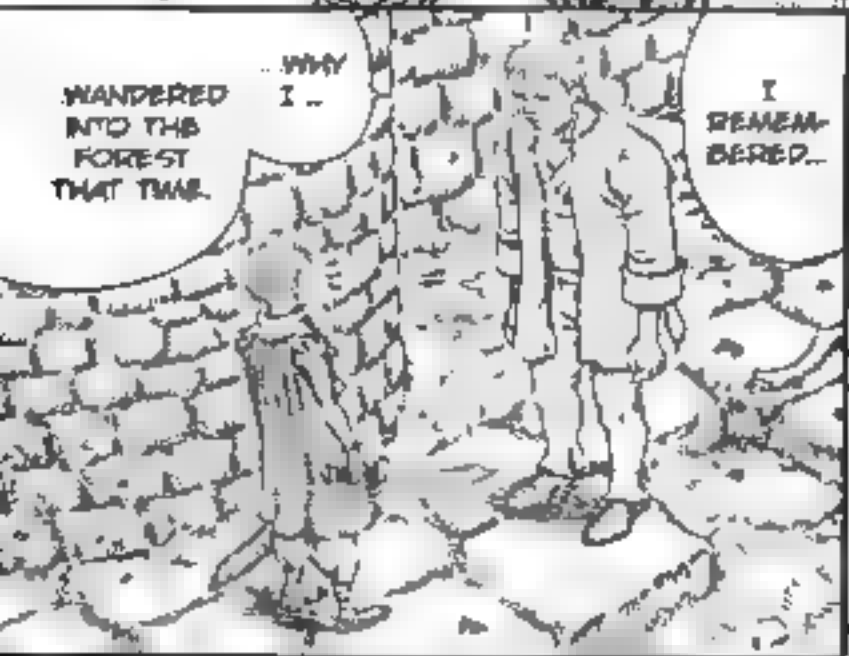
I'M A LOT  
BETTER NOW  
THANKS TO  
THAT LITTLE  
ONE








BEING SMALLER,  
IT SHOULD BE  
EASIER FOR YOU  
TO HANDLE.



WANDERED  
INTO THE  
FOREST  
THAT TIME.

...WHY  
I...


I  
REMEM-  
BERED...



I'D  
TOSSED  
IT UP  
INTO THE  
RAFTERS.

HECK  
...

YOU  
SURE  
?



THINK OF IT  
AS A PARTING  
GIFT FROM  
THE OLD TO  
THE YOUNG.



FROM  
ALL THOSE  
WEIGHTY,  
TROUBLE-  
SOME  
THINGS.

...MY  
AILING  
MOTHER


FROM  
THIS  
VILLAGE,  
WORK...

I RAN  
AWAY.



I RAN  
AWAY.





...BUT ALSO  
OPPORTUNE  
ESCAPES.

THEY CAN  
MAKE FOR  
COURAGEOUS  
CHALLENGES...

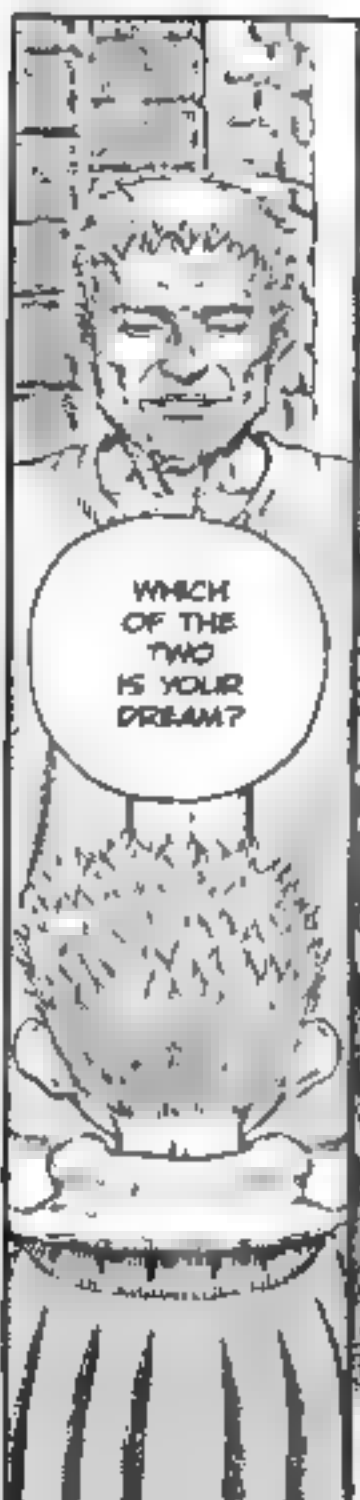
DREAMS'RE  
FUNNY  
THINGS.




HEH!

THAT'S WHY  
I CAN'T  
STAND OLD  
PEOPLE.

ANOTHER  
OLD STORY  
TO TRY TO  
SWAY THE  
YOUNG  
?



WHICH  
OF THE  
TWO  
IS YOUR  
DREAM?



IF  
AT THAT  
TIME...

I  
WONDER  
WHAT I'D  
HAVE  
DONE?

I  
HADN'T  
MET  
HER...

IT'S ON A  
DIFFERENT  
LEVEL THAN  
THAT

WARM 'N  
FUZZY KIDDY  
DREAM  
STUFF YOU  
TALK  
ABOUT!

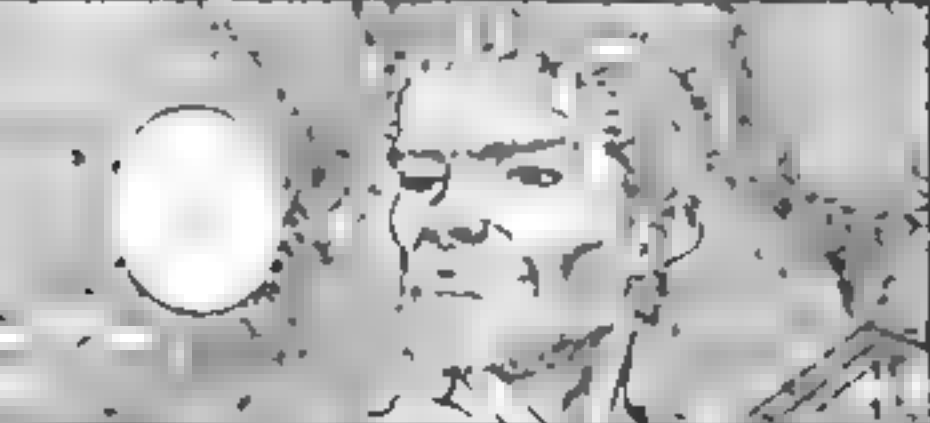
LISTEN,  
OLD  
MAN!

I TOLD YA  
MINE'S AN  
AMBITION!



THIS  
WAS IS  
THE REAL  
DEAL

I'LL  
PROVE IT.



I'LL  
QUICKLY  
TAKE  
THIS!

BUT  
I'LL  
LOSE  
IT!



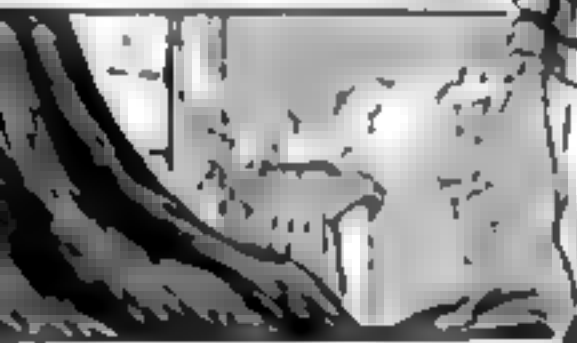
NOW  
IS HE?

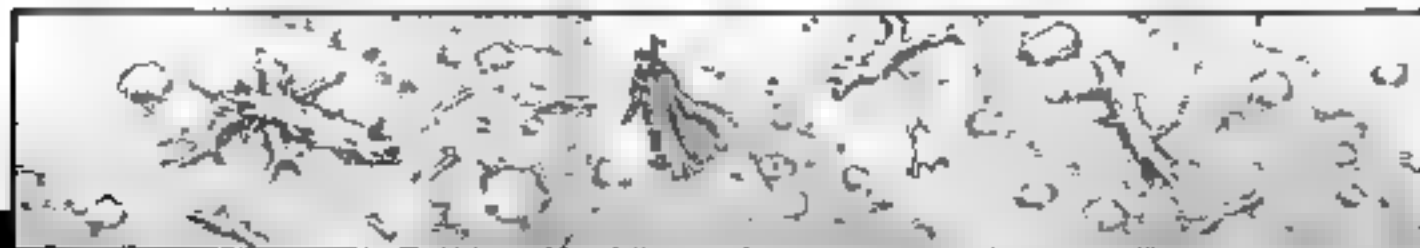


BUT  
HE CAN'T  
ALIVE  
ANYMORE

IT'S  
NOTHING  
FATAL







I CANNOT  
TAKE AWAY  
MORE FROM  
WHAT FEW  
OF THEM  
ARE LEFT

BESIDES,  
NOTHING SAYS  
THE REMAINING  
TROLLS WILL  
NOT AGAIN  
ATTACK THE  
VILLAGE.

THAT IS  
NOT QUITE  
POSSIBLE

ONCE THE  
OWNER OF  
A FETISH IS  
ESTABLISHED,  
THE SPIRITS  
ARE NOT  
LIKELY TO  
GRANT THEIR  
POWERS TO  
ANOTHER.

AT LEAST WE  
COULDA BORROWED  
SOME WIND GODS  
FROM SERPY.

THEN I  
COULDA BEEN  
HURRICANE  
FLACK.

BESIDES,  
SERPYO  
SEEMS TO  
HAVE BECOME  
FIRMLY  
ATTACHED TO  
THE SYLPHS.

I'M THE  
WIND  
LEADER!

WIND  
LEADER  
OF THE  
WIND  
GODS

HAVE YOU  
PICKED UP  
ANY MORE  
THOUGHTS  
FROM  
THEM?

I HAVE CALLED  
TO THEM MANY  
TIMES, BUT THEY  
SEEM TO BE  
UNCONSCIOUS.

WELL,  
NOT YET

AS LONG  
AS THEY  
WEAR THOSE  
SILVER  
SHIRTS.

IT IS  
IMPOSSIBLE  
FOR THE  
TROLLS TO  
TOUCH THEM  
DIRECTLY.

I CANNOT  
SENSE ANY  
DISTURBANCES  
IN THEIR OO  
CAUSED BY  
HARM TO  
THEM.

BUT  
THEY  
ARE ALL  
RIGHT



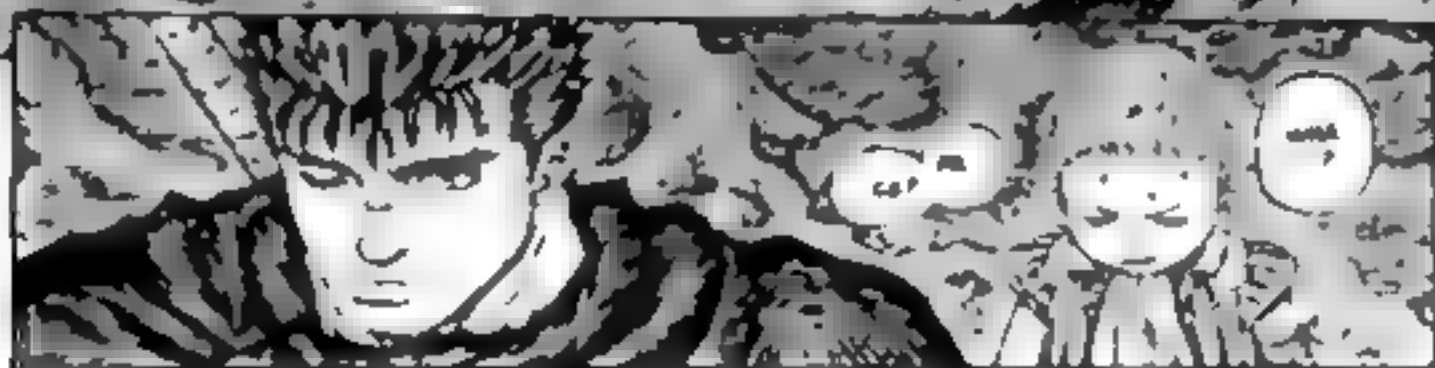
Y'KNOW  
THOUGH

Y'KNOW  
THOUGH

IT'S LIKE  
THE COMPLETE  
OPPOSITE OF  
WHEN WE  
GOT TO THE  
WITCHES'  
MANSION


HAVEN'T THE  
SUSANACONS  
BEEN GETTING  
GRADUALLY  
WRITTED BACK  
BACK THERE?








**GLIPHOTH.**



THE ASTRAL  
WORLD'S  
REGION OF  
DARKNESS.



WH-WHAT  
WAS THAT?!

FACE...  
FACE?!

A SPIRIT  
CREATURE.

MIGHT  
MAKE  
A GOOD  
PET  
CO.


FACE  
NAME.



YES...

REALLY?  
I THINK  
THE  
DRAGON'S  
LAUGH  
ABLE.

JUST  
AS I  
FEARED



THIS IS THE  
ASTRAL WORLD,  
AND NOT A VERY  
NICE PART.

AS YOU  
FEARED?



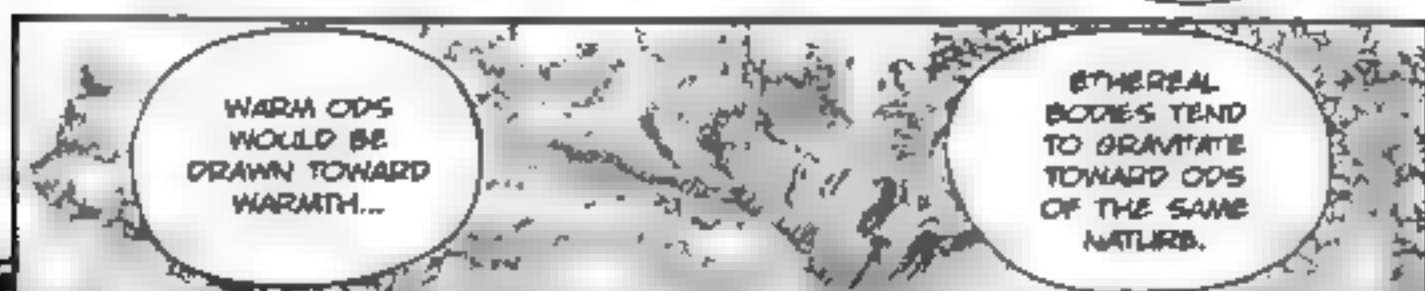
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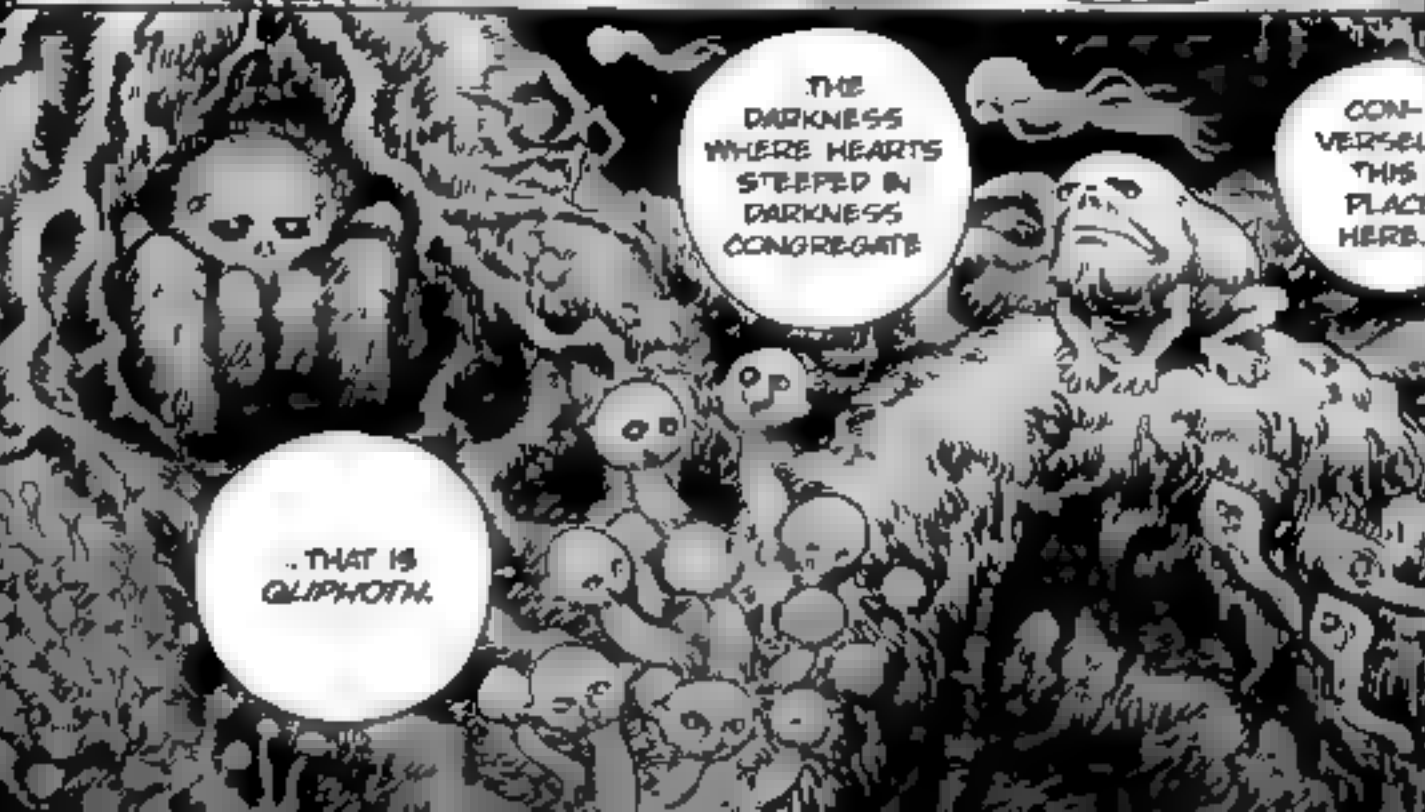
THE VAST  
EXTENT OF  
THE ASTRAL  
WORLD...

...COMPRISES  
MANY REGIONS,  
EACH WITH ITS  
OWN CHARACTER-  
ISTIC ATMO-  
SPHERE.



WARM ODS  
WOULD BE  
DRAWN TOWARD  
WARMTH...

ETHEREAL  
BODIES TEND  
TO GRAVITATE  
TOWARD ODS  
OF THE SAME  
NATURE.



THE  
DARKNESS  
WHERE HEARTS  
STEEPED IN  
DARKNESS  
CONGREGATE

CON-  
VERSELY,  
THIS  
PLACE  
HERE...

...THAT IS  
GLIPHOTH.

THE  
ASTRAL AND  
PHYSICAL  
WORLDS...

NORMALLY  
THIS COULD  
NOT  
HAPPEN.

...SO  
DISTINCTLY  
OVERLAPPING  
EACH  
OTHER...

THEY WERE ORIGINALLY  
INHABITANTS OF OUR  
MENTAL WORLD...  
IN NOCTURNAL DREAMS  
AND FANTASIES.  
IF THEY WERE TO  
END UP EXISTING  
IN THE PHYSICAL  
WORLD.

ETHEREAL LIFE-  
FORMS ARE BEING  
PERCEIVED BY  
HUMANS ALMOST  
AS IF THEY  
HAD PHYSICAL  
BODIES.

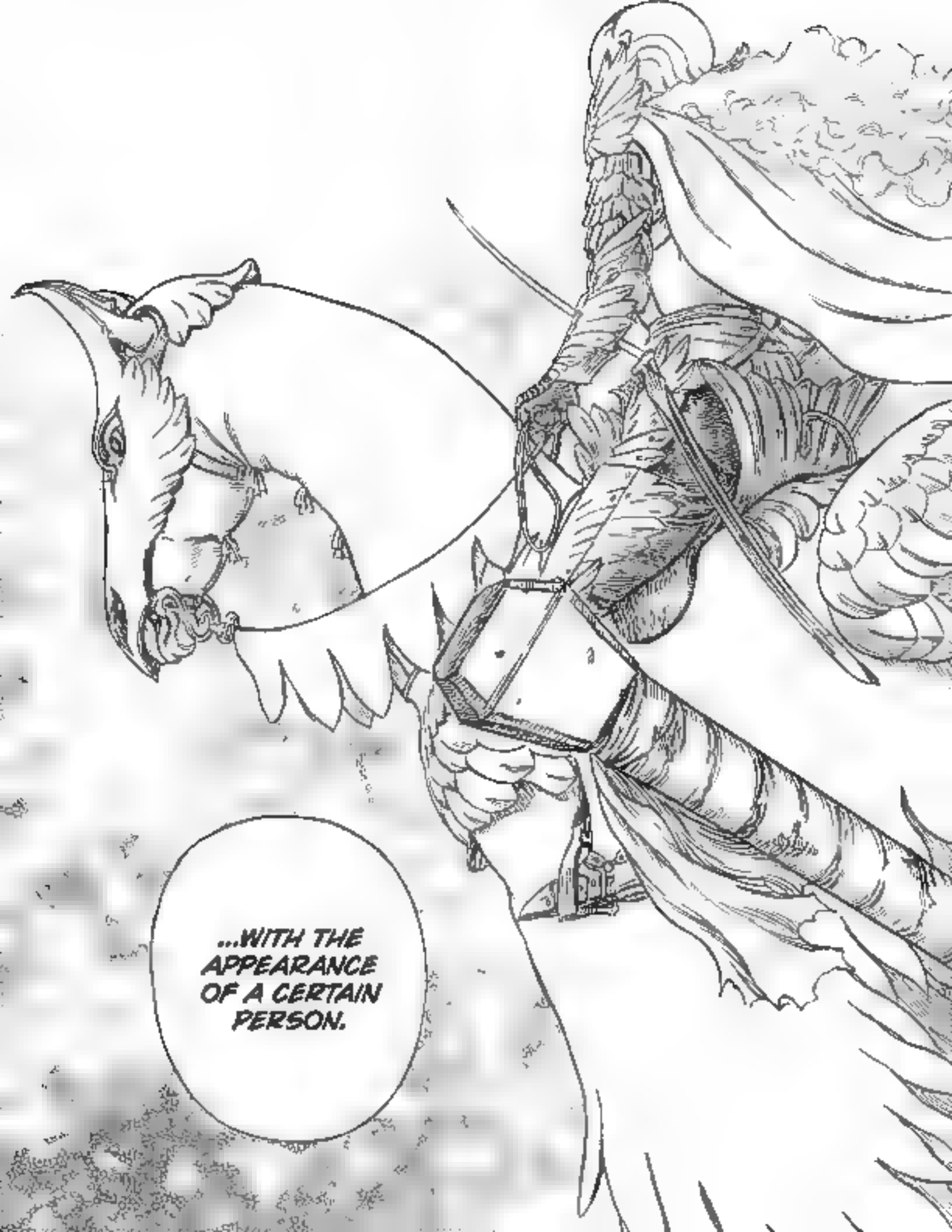
TROLLS AND  
OGRES ELVES  
AND SPIRIT  
CREATURES.

THEN  
?  
WHAT'LL  
HAPPEN  
?

BUT  
...

I DO  
NOT  
KNOW  
...





...WITH THE  
APPEARANCE  
OF A CERTAIN  
PERSON.





...ALREADY  
STARTED  
HAPPENING...

PERHAPS,  
IT HAS...

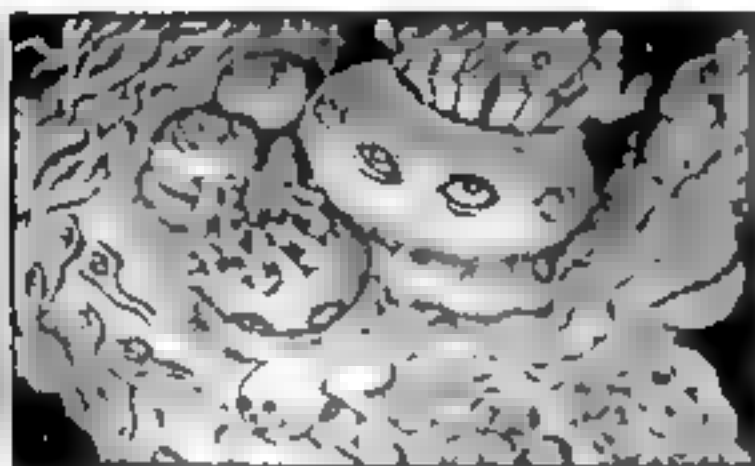
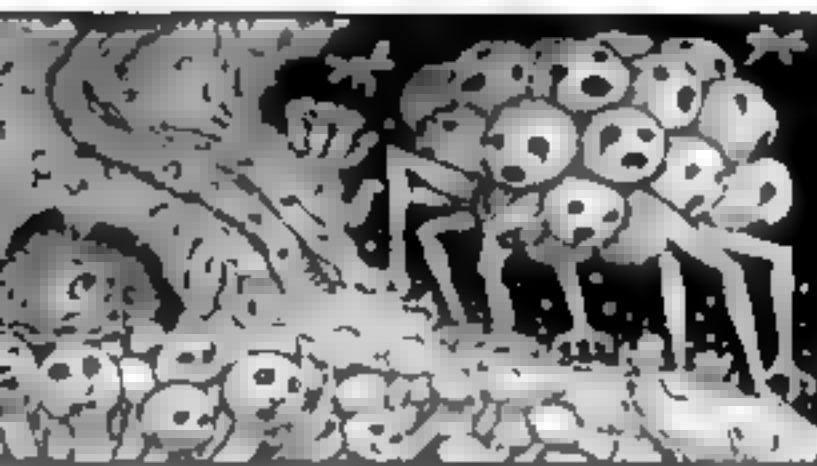
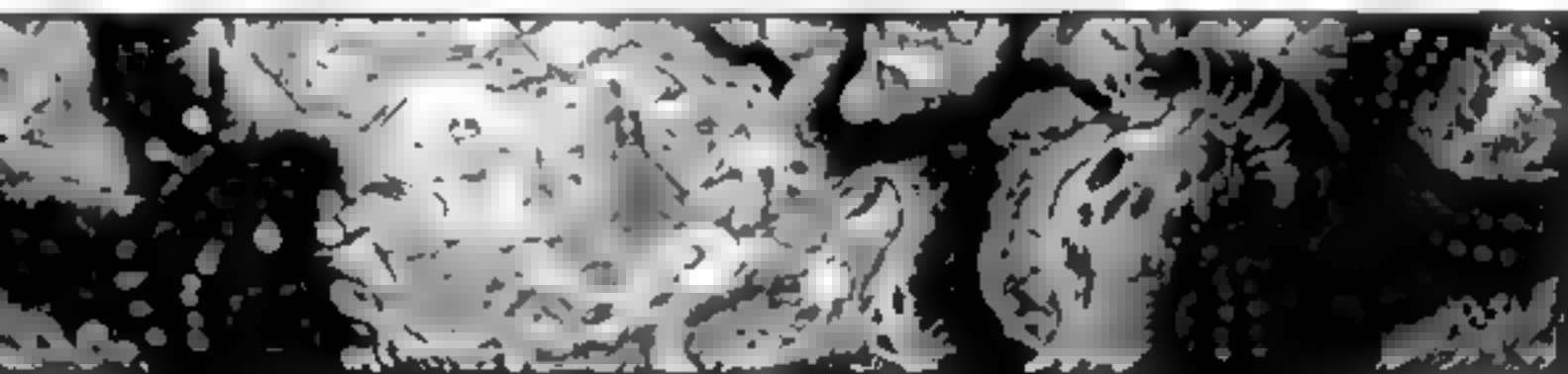
...THE  
WORLD  
WOULD BE  
TRANS-  
FORMED.

NO...



TAINT  
お下だく  
汚濁

BERSERK




THIS  
IS IT



NOW THAT  
MY EYES ARE  
ADJUSTED,  
THIS PLACE  
IS SWARMING  
WITH CRAZY  
STUFF  
AND  
I'M  
LOVING  
IT





INSIDE  
HERE IS  
THE  
TROLL'S  
DEAL



.. EVEN  
MORE BAD  
NEWS.

LOOKS  
LIKE...

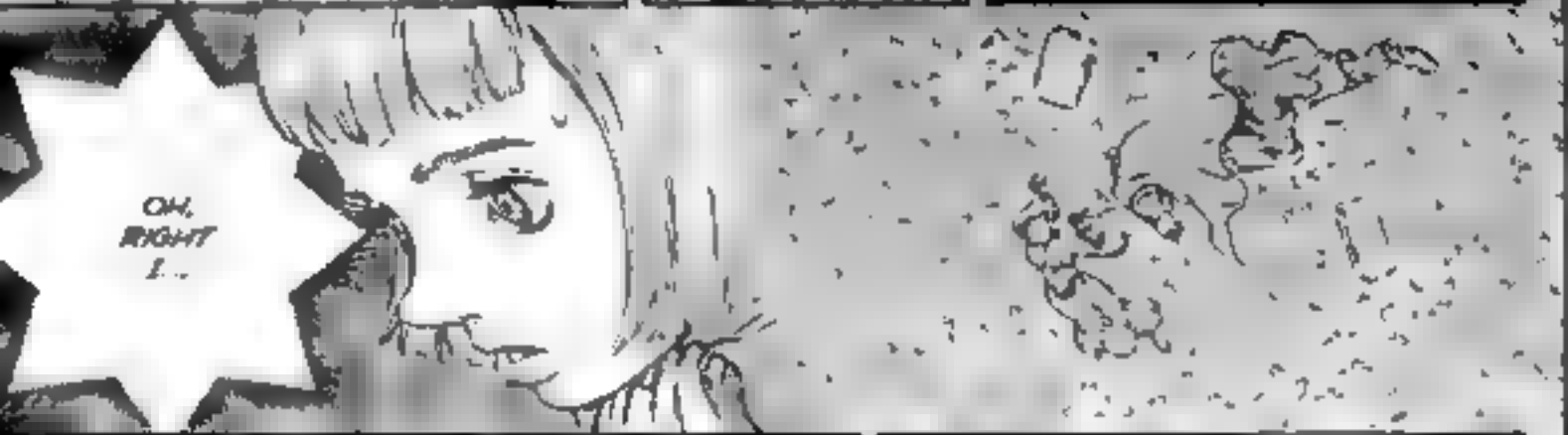


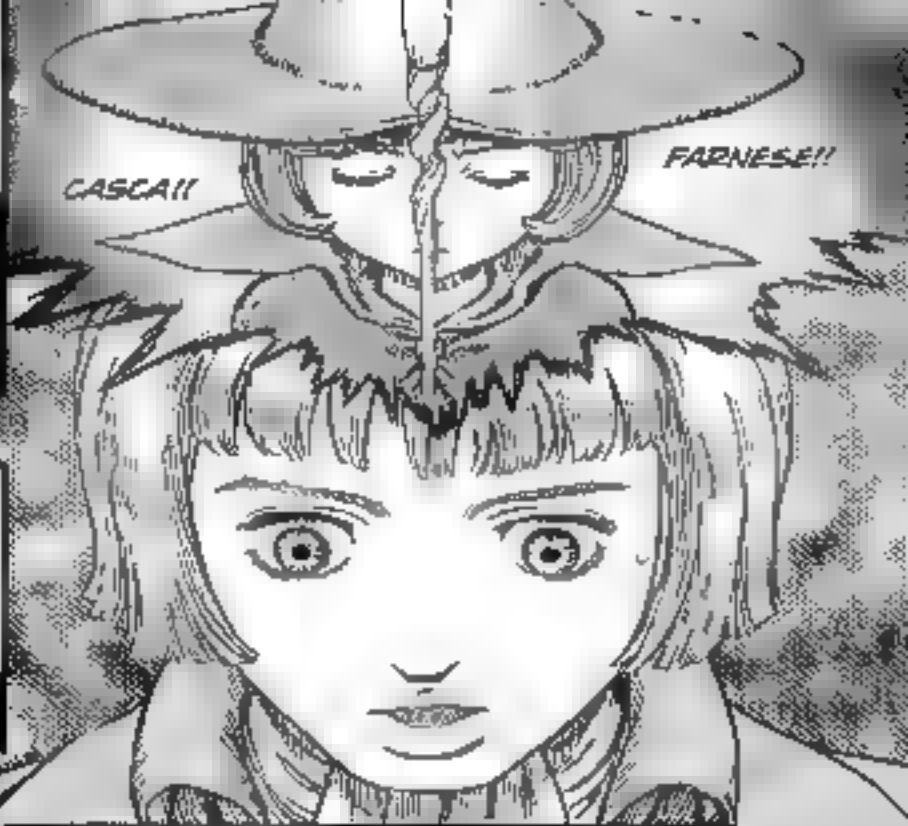
CASCA...



I WILL TRY  
CALLING  
THEM  
AGAIN.

















IT SEEMS  
SHE WAS  
SHOCKED  
BY THE  
SURROUND-  
ING  
SCENE.!

FARNESSE'S  
OD IS  
SUDDENLY  
DISTURBED  
...!

WHAT'S  
WRONG  
?!



ANYWAY,  
LET US  
HURRY!!

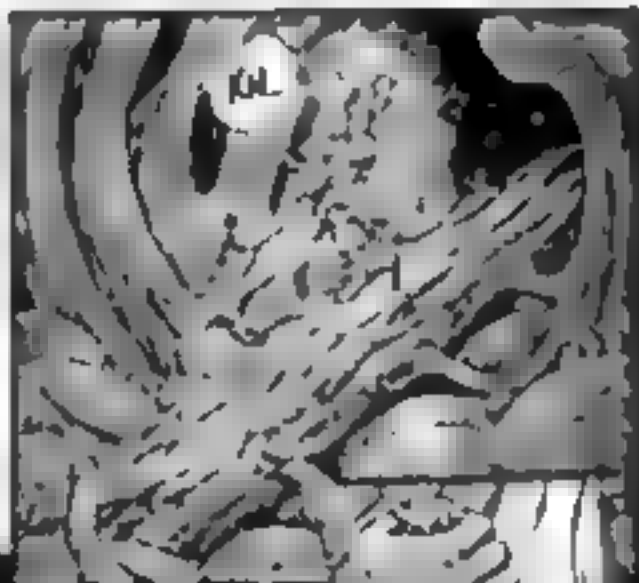


AS LONG AS  
YOU WEAR  
THE SILVER  
SHIRTS,  
NO HARM  
WILL COME  
TO YOU!!

FARNESSE,  
PLEASE  
CALM  
DOWN!!



EASY  
FOR  
YOU TO  
SAY!

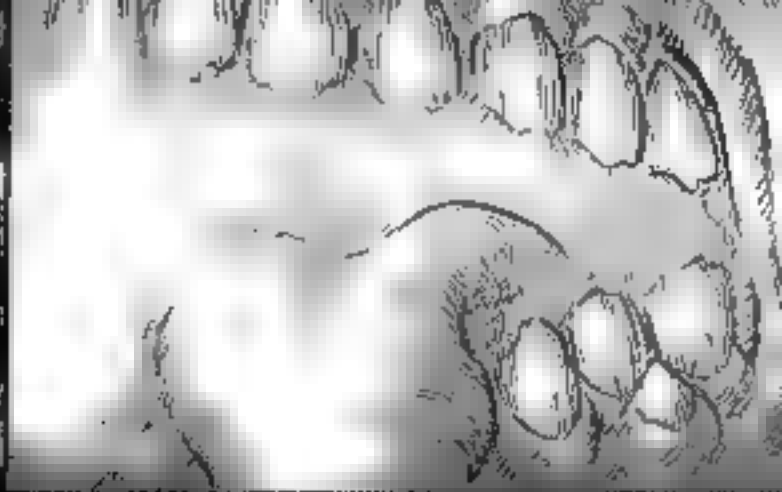


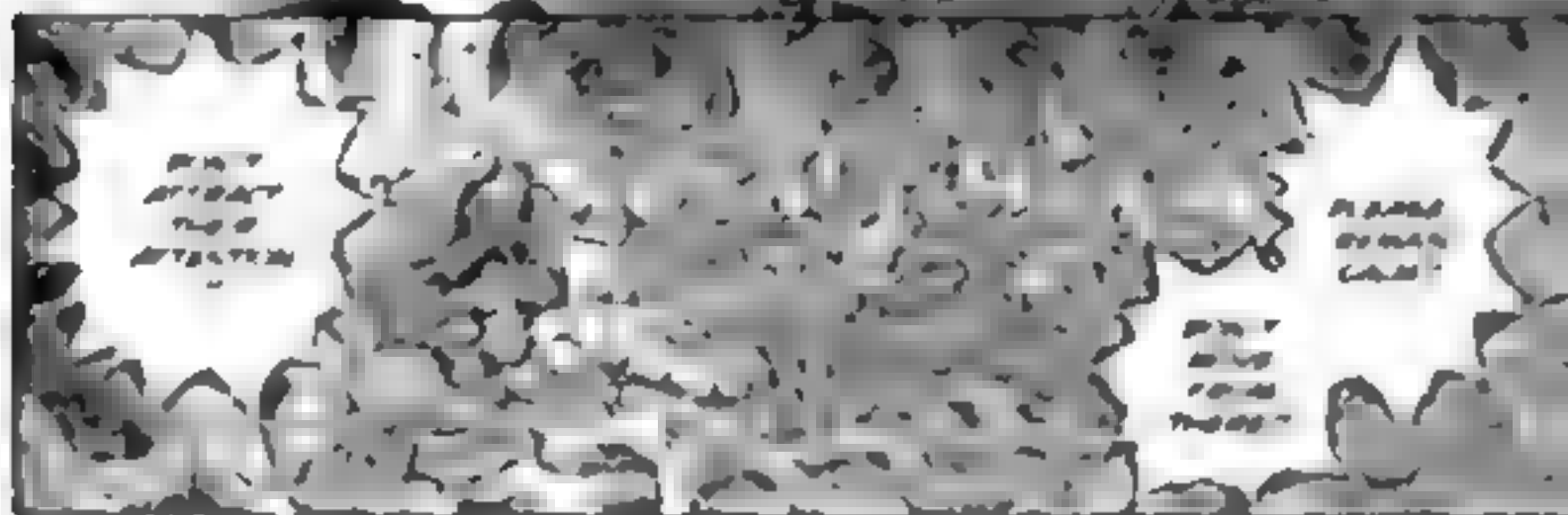


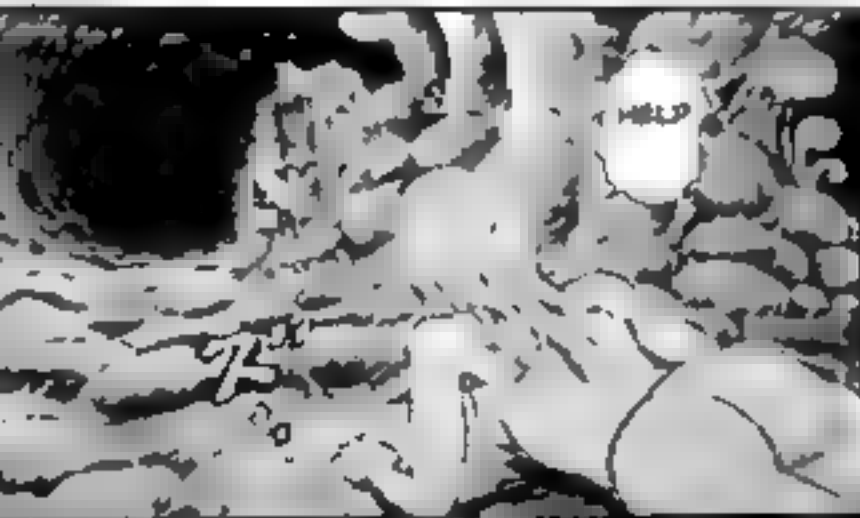


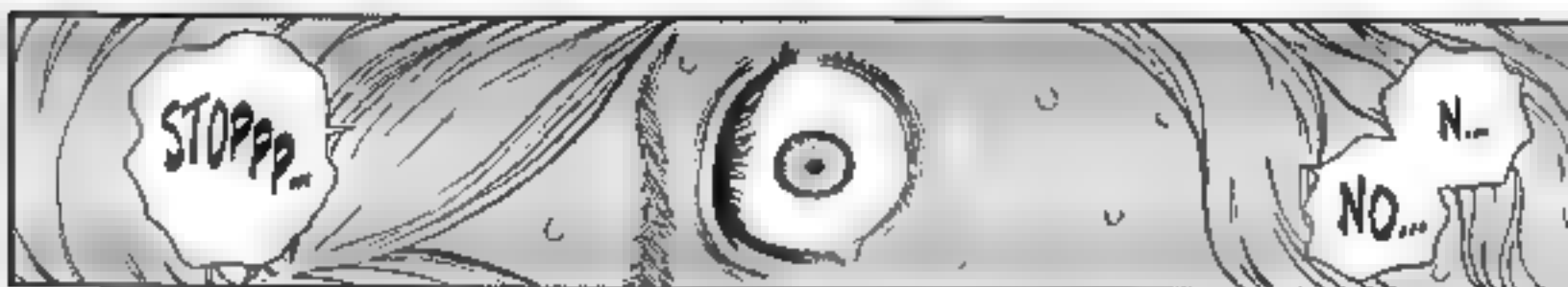








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**BERSERK**

# STOP

## This is the back of the book!

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Cuts the Black Swordsman just can't seem to find a little peace. On his way to the idyllic tranquility of his miniature pal Puck's homeland of Elfhelm, Cuts and his companions, at the behest of a local witch, assist a village beset by a plague of hideous and deadly trolls. Assisted by the witch's disciple, Schierke, the warrior band manages to turn the tide against the beasts, but when a monstrous ogre hits town, a tide of another kind is needed, a mystic flood to wash the town clean. But when Casca and Farnese are carried away by the flood, they become prisoners in the trolls' den, where a fate far worse than any imaginable death awaits!

Created by Kentaro Miura, *Berserk* is the hammer of the manga forge, a white-hot amalgam of bruising action, breathless horror, and brimstone humor that separates men from boys, wheat from chaff, and heads from shoulders. Do you want to live forever?

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